私がモテてどうする必ず

ちゅん子

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Kiss Him, not Me

#29 NEVER HURT YOU AGAIN

BY JUNKO

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Kiss Him, not Me

SERI-NUMA-SAN?
JUST THE TWO OF THEM ...?
YEAH. NANASHIMA-KUN WAS NOT FEELING WELL, SO SHE LEFT WITH HIM.
HUH ...?!
THUD
CREAK
HEY ...
WHA ...?!
CREAK

!!
HUH?
OH MY GOD!!
WHA?!
A-ARE YOU HALF-ASLEEP, NANA-SHIMA-KUN?!
FLAIL FLAIL
じたばた
ぎゅっ
SQUEEZE
HEY! LET ME GO!
EEK!
SERI-NUMA!

CREAK
ギシッ
HE WON'T BUDGE?!
NANA-SHIMA-KUN!
NO WAY!
SQUEEZE
WAKE UP!
NANA-SHIMA-KUN!!
BANG

!!
NANA !!
SMACK
GASP
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING?!!
THUD

!!
DASH
SERI-NUMA-SAN!!
...
FWIP
WAIT!
BANG
?
SERI-NUMA-SAN!
TMP
TMP
TMP
TMP
TMP
EEEEK...!!
WHAP
GRAB
SERI-NUMA-SAN!!

はっ…
GASP
SUNDAY
77
UH …
…!
I'M SO SORRY …
SUNDAY
77
…

HEY!!
YOU!!
LITTLE PUNK !!
GRAB
UH ...
?!
POUNCE
I'M GONNA KILL YOU!!
I LOVE YOU, SERI-NUMA!!

NOW HE GETS IT.
RUB
RUB
GRIND
GRIND
GRIND
GRIND
STROKE STROKE
まじゅう
HUMP
I WUV YOU, SHERI-NUMAAA !!
HUH? YOU GREW FACIAL HAIR?
HUMP
まじゅう
WUV YOU, WUV YOU!
...

WHUH ?!
WAKE UP, YOU IDIOT!!
WHAP
SHERI-NUMA!!
HUH ...?
HUH?
I... WASN'T... DREAM-ING...?
WHA ...?!
HEEEK!
N-NO WAY! NO! NO! NO!
AAHHH!! I GOTTA APOLOGIZE TO HER!
SH-SH-SH-SHE'S NOT...
PICK-ING UP HER PHONE !!
NEVER MIND TAKING A STEP FOR-WARD...
THIS IS A HUGE STEP BACK...

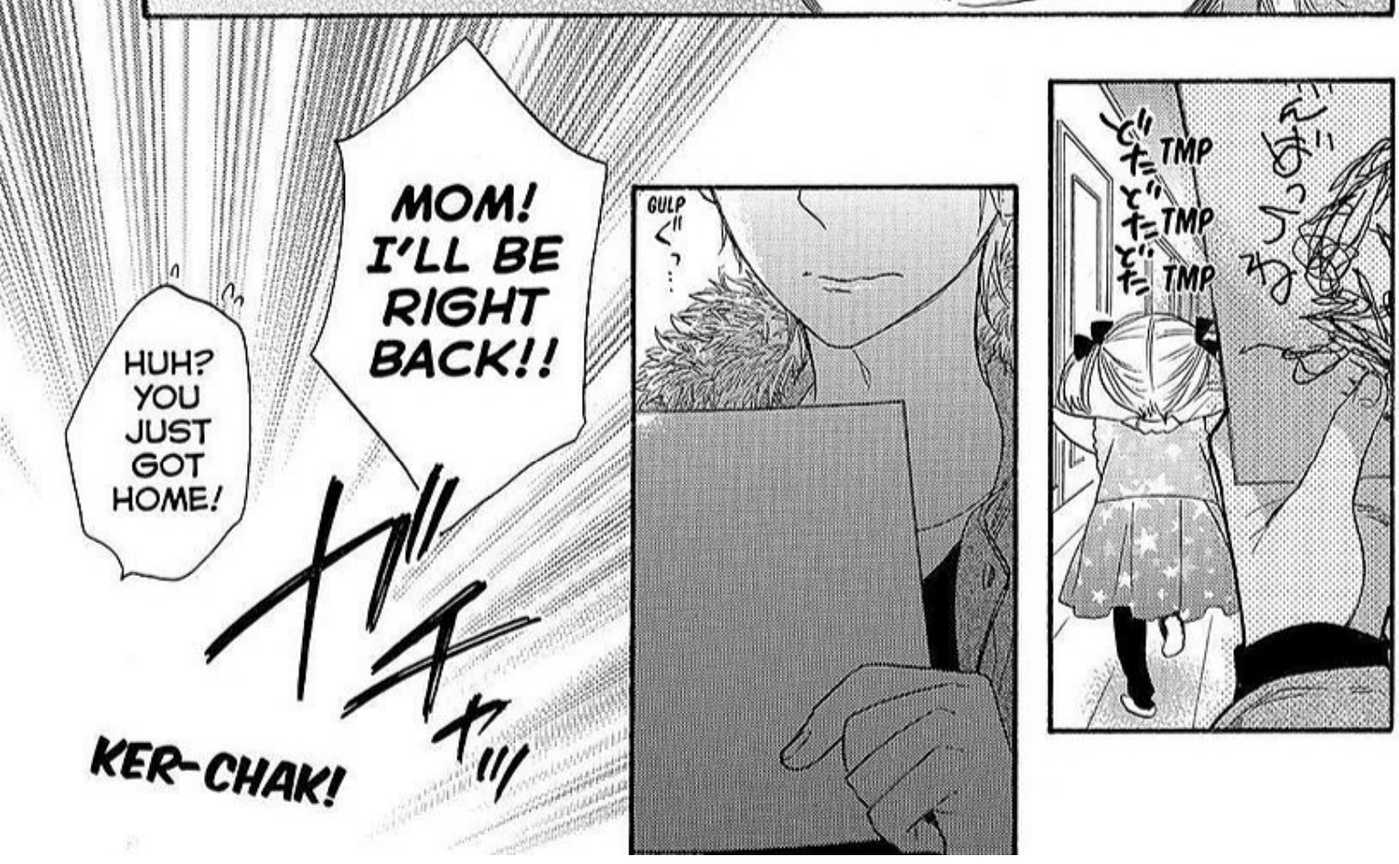
HUH?
KAE-CHAN?
YOU DIDN'T HEAR?
SHE'S AT HOME WITH A COLD.
WELL, OF COURSE SHE WOULD!
TAP TAP
SOB!
SHE'S IGNORING ME...!!
SHE HASN'T READ ANY OF MY MES-SAGES ...
SHE'S NOT ANS-WER-ING MY CALLS ...
LTE
Sorry!!
I'm so sorry!!
I really wasn't myself! Please let me explain!
The next day...
HUH ...?
SHE'S NOT COMING ...?
ウサミーランド 研修センター
Usami Land Training Center
SOB!
WELL, NOW...
I DUNNO ...
I...I WONDER IF I'LL SEE HER AT PRACTICE TOMORROW...

...
SHE APPARENTLY HAS A COLD ...
LET'S GET HER STAND-IN READY FOR NOW.
YES, SIR.
...
SHE ...
DOESN'T WANT TO SEE ME...
MAKES SENSE ...
I DID PUSH HER DOWN ...
PLOD
とぼ...
とぼ...
PLOD
BUT ...
IF SHE STILL DOESN'T SHOW UP TOMORROW...
GASP
はっ
I CAN'T CONTACT HER, SO I GOTTA GO SEE HER IN PERSON...

CLENCH
NO...
I HAVE NO RIGHT TO DO THAT...
I'M HOME.
SLAM
TMP TMP TMP TMP
WELCOME HOOOME!!
DID YOUR LAST PRACTICE GO WELL?!
WELCOME HOME! WELCOME HOME! WELCOME HOOOME!!
HEY, KIRARI.
LOOK WHAT I DREW!!
HERE!!
TA-DAH!
GOOD LUCK!

THIS IS A GOOD LUCK CHARM !!
Good Luck!
SHOW IT TO YOUR GIRLFRIEND WHO WAS HERE THE OTHER DAY TOO!!
THIS IS THE DARK PRINCE AND THIS HERE IS RUBY!!
A CURSE ?
VERY NICE!

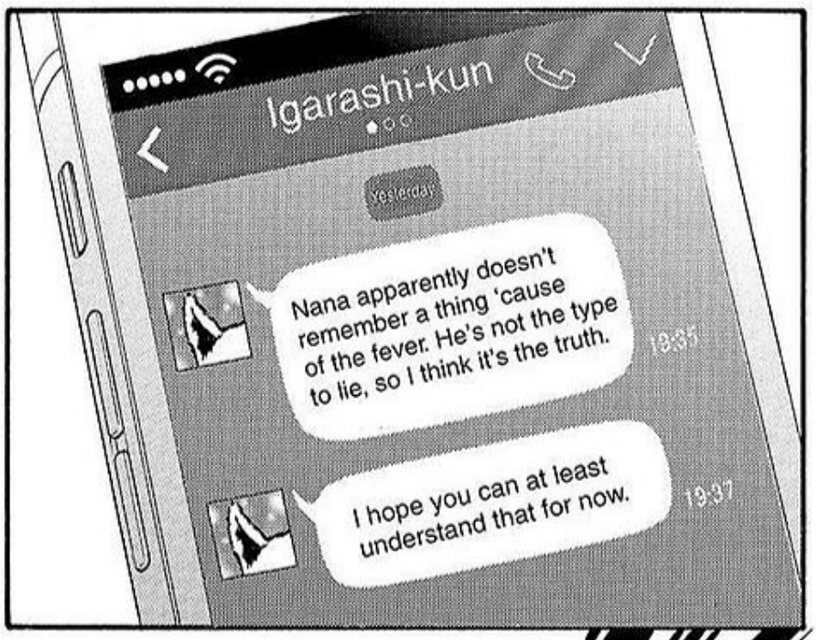
UH...
YEAH...
!


MOM! I'LL BE RIGHT BACK!!
HUH? YOU JUST GOT HOME!
KER-CHAK!
GULP
TMP
TMP
TMP

THAT'S RIGHT!
WE WORKED SO HARD...
AND KIRARI'S LOOKING FORWARD TO IT TOO!
I CAN'T LET IT ALL GO TO WASTE 'CAUSE OF WHAT I DID!!
AH... AH...
AH-CHOO!!
She really did catch his cold.
RUSTLE RUSTLE
PHEW...
RUB
B×B COMICS

TOUCH
AH...
OH?
IS THAT SO?
CLATTER
CLATTER
STOP !!
I DON'T WANNA-
N... NOOO...
THAT'S NOT WHAT YOUR BODY IS SAYING, SENPAI...
I GET SO EX-CITED WHEN I SEE IT IN BL...
BOOM
AHHHHHHHH!!!

HE WOULDN'T EVEN BUDGE...
UNDER SUCH STRENGTH ...
COUGH COUGH
COUGH
BUT ...
IN REALITY, IT'S JUST SCARY ...


Igarashi-kun
Yesterday
Nana apparently doesn't remember a thing 'cause of the fever. He's not the type to lie, so I think it's the truth.
19:35
I hope you can at least understand that for now.
19:37

...

KNOCK KNOCK
BUT ...
KAE!
CLENCH

I UNDER-STAND THAT, BUT...
...
I...

ガチャ
KER-CHAK
SOME-ONE'S DOWN-STAIRS ...
IT'S NANA-SHIMA.
WHA ?!
TELL HIM I'M NOT HERE!!
HUH?
JUST TELL HIM I'M NOT HERE!
THUNK
THUNK
WHOA! OW!
OKAY, OKAY! YOU'RE LAZYING AROUND IN BED WHEN YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE A FEVER!
N...NO!
I'M STILL NOT READY TO SEE HIM...
JOLT
SERINUMAAA!!
I'M STILL ...

YOU'RE THERE, AREN'T YOU?! JUST HEAR ME OUT!!

I'M REALLY SORRY ABOUT THE OTHER DAY!! REALLY!!

IT'S NOT AN EXCUSE, BUT I REALLY WASN'T MYSELF AT THAT TIME!!

RATTLE

YOU DON'T HAVE TO FORGIVE ME!!

S... STOP IT!!

WHAT'S GOING ON?

WHAT??

OHH...

WELL...

HY, HY...

OH MY, WHAT IS THIS?

I BEG YOU!!
BUT KIRARI IS LOOKING FORWARD TO TOMOR-ROW'S SHOW...
SO PLEASE !!
バーン
BAM
SHUT UP!!
HERE!
S-SORRY, ONISAN!
ばっさ
SHWAP
ばっさ
SHWAP
WHAT THE HECK ARE YOU DOING IN FRONT OF SOME-ONE'S HOUSE?! YOU'RE BEING A NUISANCE!
PLEASE GIVE THIS TO SERI-NUMA!
GO HOME! GO HOME!

GASP!
はっ
KAE!
HE SAID THIS IS FROM HIS LITTLE SISTER.
Good Luck!
SNEAKY ...

Usami
Winter

EXCITING CRUISE
BYE-BYE!
IT'S ALMOST TIME...
ちら
GLANCE
ウサミーランド
研修センター
Usami Land Training Center
SERINUMA ...!
CHATTER...
CHATTER
IS SERINUMA-SAN HERE?!
N...NOT YET...
CHATTER
DID SOME-ONE CALL HER?!
GA-CHUNK
SORRY!!
WE HAVE NO CHOICE. GET SERI-NUMA'S STAND-IN TO—

UM...

I KNOW YOU WERE ACTING WEIRD BEFORE 'CAUSE OF YOUR FEVER...

AND YOU APOLO-GIZED, SO...

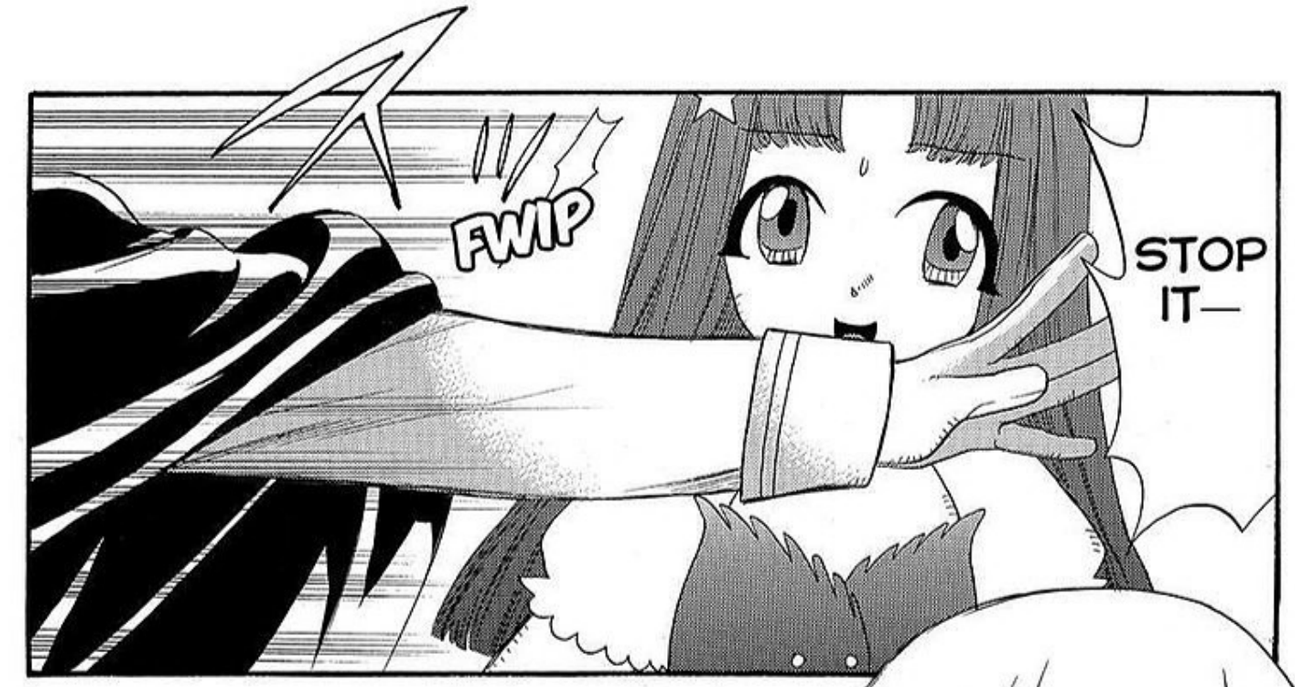
THAT'S BEHIND US. I UNDER-STAND.

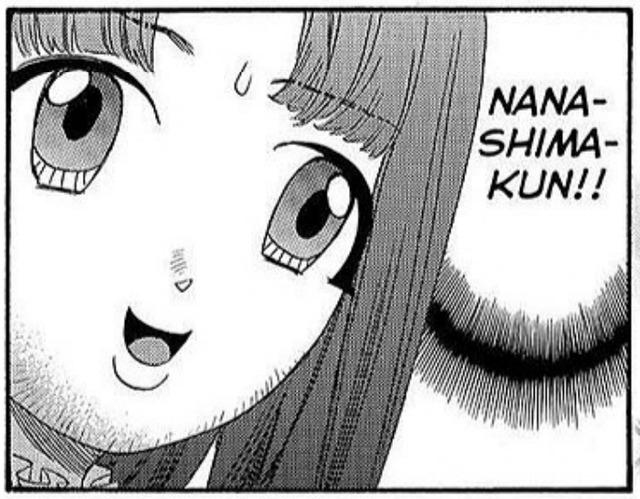
YEAH ...
I KNOW.
THAT'S ONLY NATURAL.
BUT... I'M...
STILL SCARED ...
THANKS FOR COMING...
SERI-NUMA.
冬休み Winter Holiday
DIAMOND
Show
CHATTER
CHATTER
OHHH!
IT'S A FULL HOUSE!

SEATS ARE FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE, AREN'T THEY?!
YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT?!
HUHHH?! WE CAME FIRST, AND WE'RE IN LINE, Y'KNOW?!
CHATTER
THERE ARE QUITE A FEW OLDER KIDS TOO.
That's "Puri-Moon" for ya!
KIDS GET PRIORITY FOR THE FRONT SEATS.
It's the intermission...
WE HAVE TO WATCH STANDING UP...
THOSE THREE GUYS...
THEY'RE AT A LOT OF SHOWS, BUT THEY REALLY HAVE A BAD REP...
EH-HEH
ARGH... THOSE GUYS ARE HERE AGAIN.
CHATTER
CHATTER
TH-THEN PLEASE TAKE A SEAT AND WATCH QUIETLY.
PURI PURI MOON DIAMOND
READY!!
READY!!
EVERY-ONE!!
LET ME HEAR YOU LOUD AND CLEAR!!

"PURI-PURI-MOON"!!
BOOM
WHOAAAA!!
Which one's Serinuma?
IT'S THIS KINDA SHOW, HUH...
OH...
MARV-ELOUS!!
SHOCK
どぴょーん
WOOOO!
PURI-PURI-MOON!
PURI-PURI-MOON!

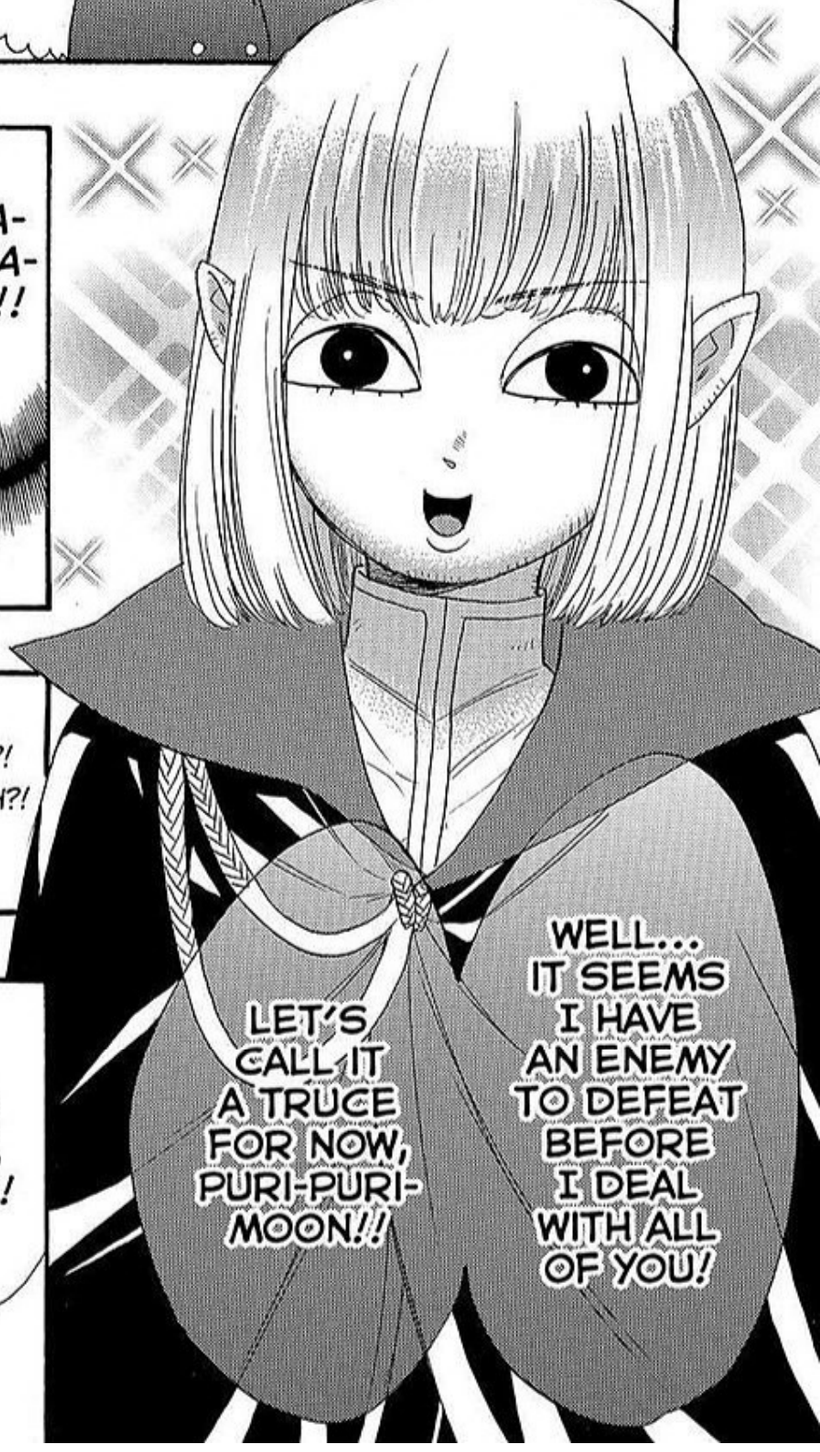
MOVE OUT OF THE WAY!!
WAAAAHHH!
わぁぁ〜
I CAN'T SEE!
I'M SCARED!
KYAAA!!
どんっ
BANG
EEK!
HEY!
SIT DOWN ...
SNAP SNAP
LOOK OVER HERE!
PANT
PANT
LOVE
LOVE
DIA-MOND'S UNDER-WEAR!
GET AWAY FROM THE STAGE!
HEY! MOVE!!
AH!
AH!
STEP BA—
THUD
すってん
KYAAAA?!
Kae
DIA-MOND!!
YANK
OHHH!! DIAMOND !!


FWIP
STOP IT—


NANA-SHIMA-KUN!!

WHAT SHOULD I DO?!
PANIC
PANIC
HUH?! HUHHH?!

Hey... My mic...
HUH?!
YOINK
ひょい
I'LL TAKE OVER, MA'AM!
IT'S OKAY! IT'S OKAY!


LET'S CALL IT A TRUCE FOR NOW, PURI-PURI-MOON!!
WELL... IT SEEMS I HAVE AN ENEMY TO DEFEAT BEFORE I DEAL WITH ALL OF YOU!

NOZOMU!!
IT'S A FIGHT OFF-STAGE!
YEAHHH!
OKAY, LET'S CHEER THEM ON, EVERY-BODY!!
JUMP
TMP
OH?! PURI-PURI-MOON AND THE DARK PRINCE HAVE FORMED THE DREAM TEAM!!
WOOOO!!
GO, PRINCE!
YOU CAN DO IT!
WH-WHAT THE—?!
I'M A PATRON, Y'KNOW?!
GRIND
GRIND
GRIND
NOW BEGONE, FOOL!!
WATCH OUT!!
WAAAH! WAAAH!
H...his head!!
WOBBLE
WOBBLE
So scary!
GO!
GET 'IM!
ダッシュ
DASH

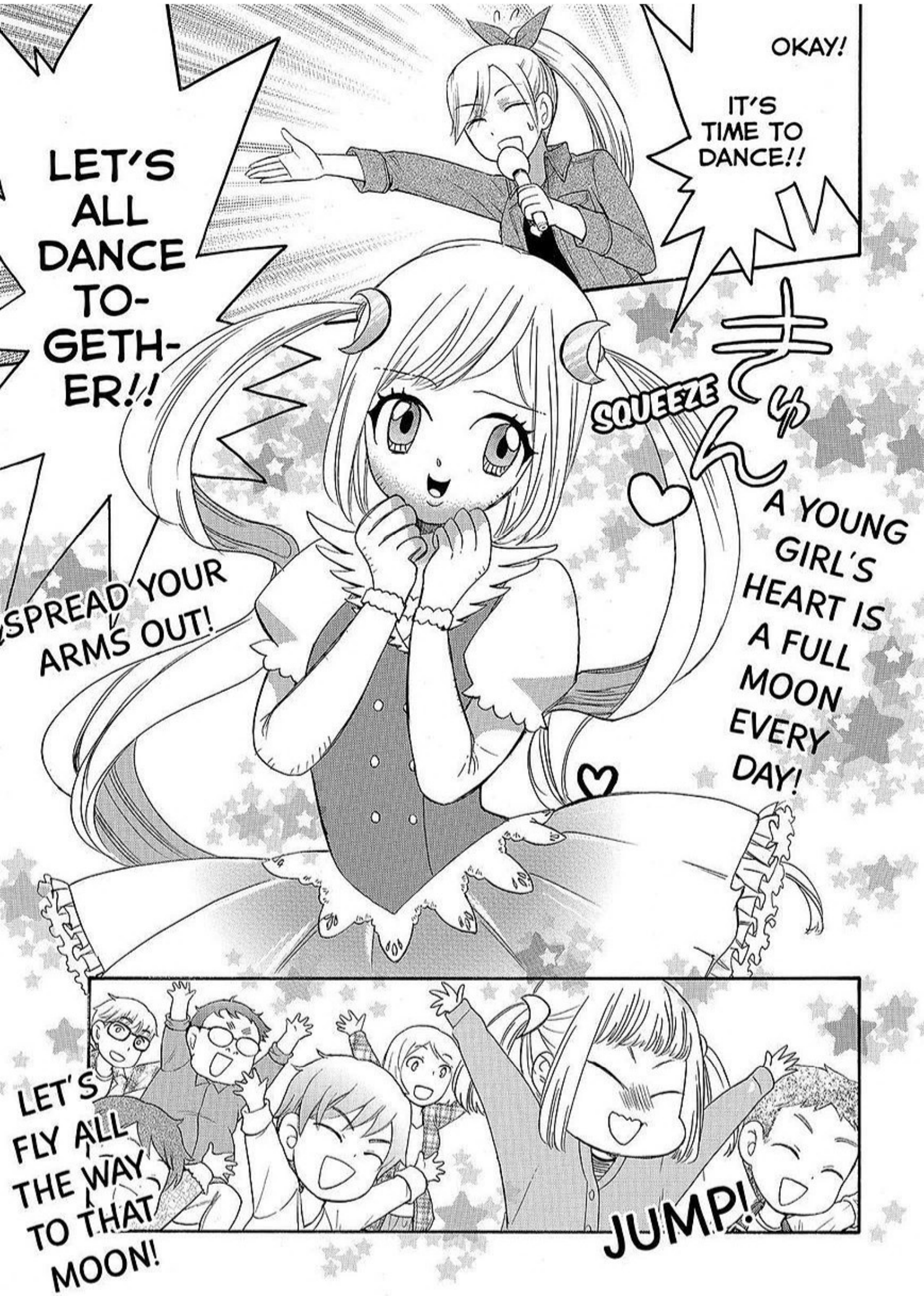
THWACK
WHIRL
WHIRL
WHIRL
LET GO OF HIM!
AGH!
THUD
キャー
キャー
EEEK!
EEEK!
NANA—
PRINCE!!
GRAB

RELEASE
S... SORRY...
UH...
GASP
GRAB
IT'S OKAY!!
THANK YOU...!!
DIE, DARK PRINCE !!
TMP
TMP
LOVE
TMP
TMP
TMP
TMP
TMP
SERI-NUMA!!

I VOW TO YOU...
WILL NEVER HURT YOU AGAIN!!
I...
NANA-SHIMA-KUN...!
SOUNDS GOOD!!
ギュッ
CLENCH
LET'S GO!!

BOOM
ATTACK!!!
DARK MOON-LIGHT!
LOVE
THE DREAM TEAM HAS DEFEATED THE BAD GUYS!!
WOOHOO!!
Sorry.

PHEW! THINGS... TURNED OUT OKAY THEN?!
NEXT, IT'S TIME FOR THE LAST DANCE!
LET'S RE-GROUP AND—
YEAH, YEAH!
OW!
MY LEG ...!
FROM THE FALL EARLIER ...
DIA-MOND !!
SHE SPRAIN-ED IT.
SHE WON'T BE ABLE TO GO ON STAGE LIKE THIS.
THEN LET'S HAVE THE STAND-IN—
CHATTER
W...WE DON'T HAVE ANYONE WHO CAN DANCE DIAMOND'S PART TODAY!
HUH?! THAT CAN'T BE!
I'LL DO IT!
LET ME DO IT!!
?!


OKAY!
IT'S TIME TO DANCE!!
LET'S ALL DANCE TO-GETH-ER!!
SQUEEZE
A YOUNG GIRL'S HEART IS A FULL MOON EVERY DAY!
SPREAD YOUR ARMS OUT!
LET'S FLY ALL THE WAY TO THAT MOON!
JUMP!

じゃじゃん!
TA-DAH!
JOIN US AGAIN TOMORROW FOR "PURI-PURI-MOON"! ♡
WOOHOO!
ウサミーランド研修センター
Usami Training Center

GOOD JOB!!
THAT WAS GREAT!
GOOD JOB!
HIGH-FIVE
YEAH.
I MEAN IT.
I BELIEVE... WHAT YOU TOLD ME...!
NANA-SHIMA-KUN...

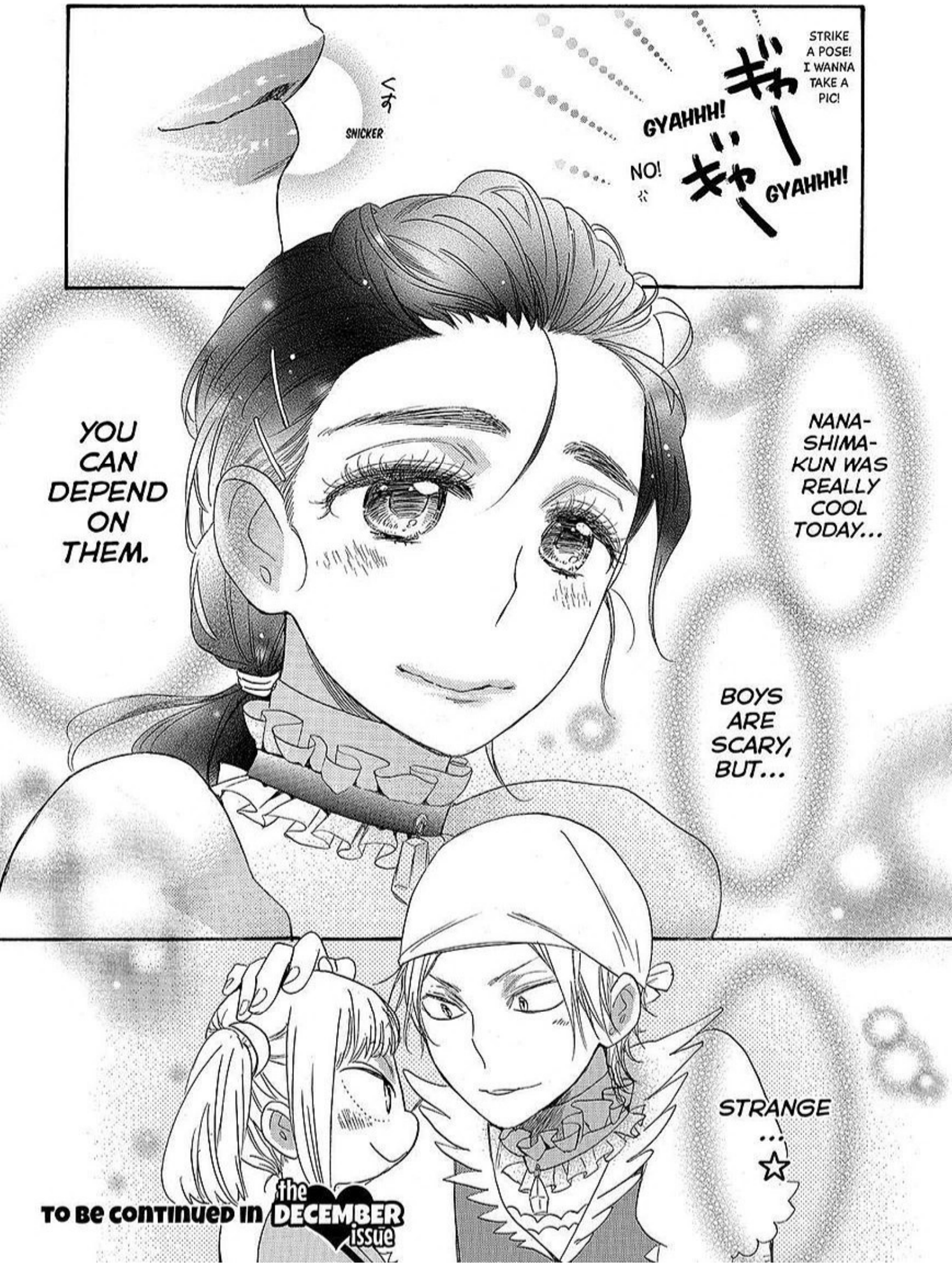
NOZOOOMU!!
STAFF
PASS
THE LAST DIAMOND DANCE WAS YOU AFTER ALL, NOZOMU!
I KNEW IT!
KYA! KYA!
きゃっ きゃっ
Y-YOU DID?
YEAH! THAT WAS YOUR DANCE, NOZOMU!
BOING! BOING!
GOOD, GOOD!
なでなで STROKE
STROKE なでなで
WELL DONE!!
THANKS, KIRARI!

PFFT!

YOU PUNKS!! IT'S NOT LIKE I HAVE A CHOICE!!
YOU LOOK CUTE!
VERY NICE.
SNAP SNAP
PFFFFFT
HEHEHE!
WHAT'S WITH THE GETUP?

SH-SHUT UP!
DON'T ACT LIKE YOU MEAN THAT!!
THAT'S ONE INCRED-IBLE GETUP.
MAN, YOU LOOK REALLY BAD.

THIS IS WHY IM FALLING BEHIND ...!!
BUT HE'S RIGHT... I DO LOOK REALLY BAD...
GLOOM



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#30 HIDEO'S RETURN

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Kiss Him, not Me

WHOOSH
I'M BACK, JAPAN!
I'M BACK !!
A BEAUTIFUL FIRST SUNRISE OF THE YEAR...
THAT'S RIGHT ...
MY FAMILY IS WAITING FOR ME!!
FLAP
FLAP
KER-CHAK
SERINUMA-SAAAAN, WE'LL BE ARRIVING SOON.
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE WE'VE BEEN ON THIS LAND.
MY NAME IS HIDEO SERINUMA.
LET'S JUST SAY IT HAS TO DO WITH SECRETS OF THE STATE.
I AM RETURNING HOME AFTER A LONG TIME FOR NEW YEAR'S.
MY JOB IS... OOPS, THAT'S A SECRET!

ISN'T MY DEAR DAUGHTER JUST ADORABLE ?!

YEAH!

BOOM

HOLD ON, KAE!!
SPLASH
BOOM
I'VE RETURNED, FAMILY!!
I'M HOME!!

OH MY, OH MY! YOU'RE BACK?
KER-CHAK
カチャ
OH!
OH MY!

THAT'S NICE! WELCOME HOME!!
MUNCH
もち
もち
MUNCH
HOW AWFUL !!
I MISSED YOU, MITSUKO !!

I MEAN, WE NEVER HEARD FROM YOU, SO...
OF COURSE I'M BACK!! IT'S NEW YEAR'S!
YOU KNOW THAT CAN'T BE HELPED, 'CAUSE OF THE RES-TRICTIONS!

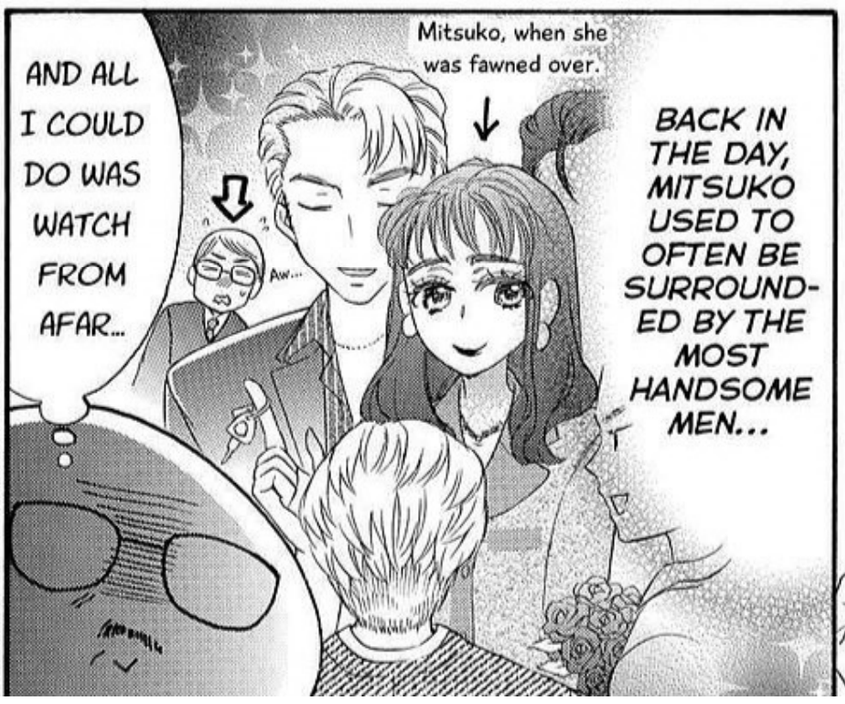
OHHH! WELCOME HOME, POPS!
ひょこ
PEEK
HOW AWFUL !!
MUNCH MUNCH
DON'T WORRY! IT'S IN ITS SPECIAL PLACE...♥ WAY AT THE BACK OF THE DRESSER.
OHHH, IT DOESN'T FIT ON MY FINGER ANYMORE.
YOUR RING!! WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR WEDDING RING?!
HUH ?!

KAE!! WHERE'S KAE?! IS SHE STILL SLEEPING? WHAT AN OVER-SLEEPER!!
KAE!! KAE WILL GREET ME WARMLY !!
KAE!!
YOU GUYS ARE SO COLD!!
How awful!!
Well, you know!
Not if you're over twenty!!
SMACK
WHERE'S MY NEW YEAR'S MONEY?!
Happy New Year!!
MUNCH MUNCH もちもち
WHAT ?!
KAE'S OUT WITH HER FRIENDS ON A NEW YEAR'S SHRINE VISIT.
The one close by!
CHATTER ガヤガヤ
CHATTER ガヤガヤ
CHATTER
DON'T BOTHER HER!
She'll be back soon!
AH!
UH, HE WON'T LISTEN.
I'LL BE BACK!!
BOOM

HMM!
WHERE IS SHE?
KAE!

KYA!
きゃっ
Ohhh!
I got "Great Fortune"!
I got "Good Fortune"!
KYA!
きゃっ
SAY...
THEY'RE REALLY ENJOYING LIFE...

THAT CAN'T BE HER...
THERE ARE MANY GROUPS OF KIDS, BUT...


Mitsuko, when she was fawned over.
AND ALL I COULD DO WAS WATCH FROM AFAR...
AW...
BACK IN THE DAY, MITSUKO USED TO OFTEN BE SURROUNDED BY THE MOST HANDSOME MEN...

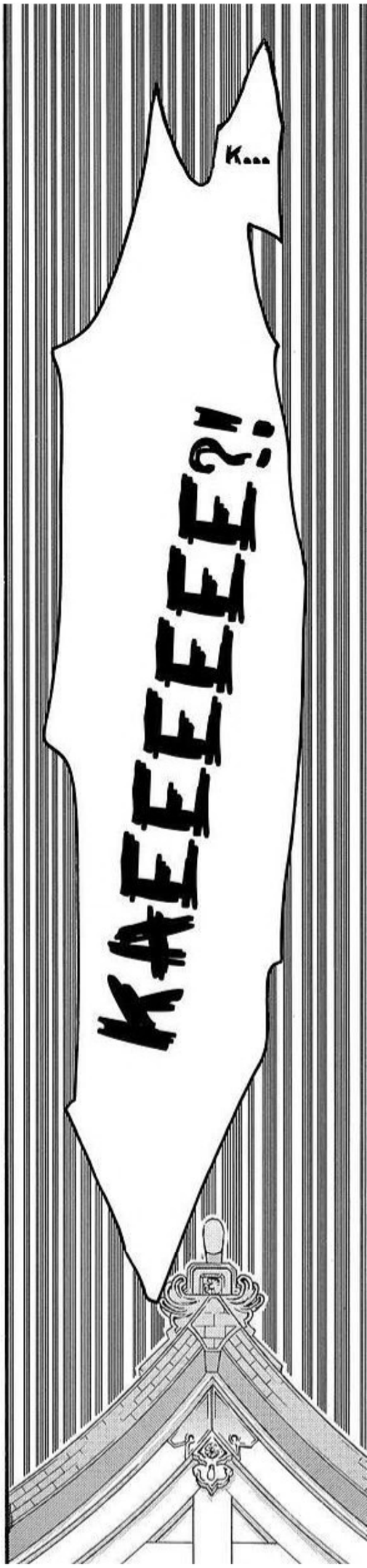
Great Fortune
大吉

?!
MITSUKO ?!
DEAR... NO...
BADUMP
はた
FLAP
FLAP はた
DAD!!
HUH ?!
OH !!
DAD ?!
?!

HUH? SERINUMA-SAN'S FATHER?!
BLANK
ぼーぜん
AAHHHH!
きゃーっ
WELCOME HOME, DAD! WHEN DID YOU GET BACK?! IT'S BEEN SO LONG!!

HI!
HELLO!
WE'RE FRIENDS OF KAE-SAN!
NICE TO MEET YOU.

TH...
Ohh...
I SEE.
Pleased to meet you.
TH...
HE LIVES FAR AWAY 'CAUSE OF WORK, AND ONLY COMES HOME ONCE IN A WHILE.
THIS IS MY DAD!!

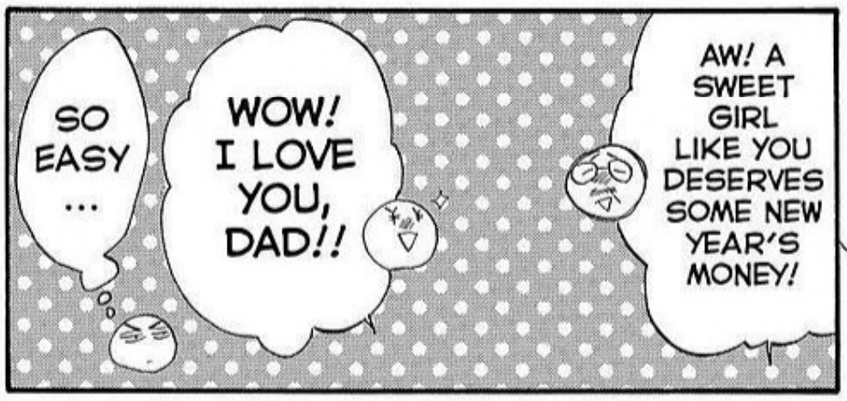

K...
KAEEEEE?!

THIS GIRL ...IS KAE? SHE CAN'T BE...
NO, BUT SHE'S THE SPITTING IMAGE OF MITSUKO ...AND SHE KNOWS ME TOO.
The shrine is that way!
CROWD
Let's go!
CROWD
C'mon! C'mon!
CROWD
AND WHO ARE ALL THESE GUYS?!
CROWD
WHAT ...
THE HECK ...
WHAT THE HECK HAP-PEN-ED...
WHILE I WAS GONE?!
S... SO ...
YOU'RE REEEALLY KAE, RIGHT?!
YES, FOR THE UMP-TEENTH TIME!

WHY DID NO ONE TELL ME?!
HUHHH?! SHE JUST LOST WEIGHT... NOTHING TO RUSH TO TELL YOU ABOUT!
Now, now...
BUT STILL... STILL! STILL! STILL!!
CALM DOWN, POPS!

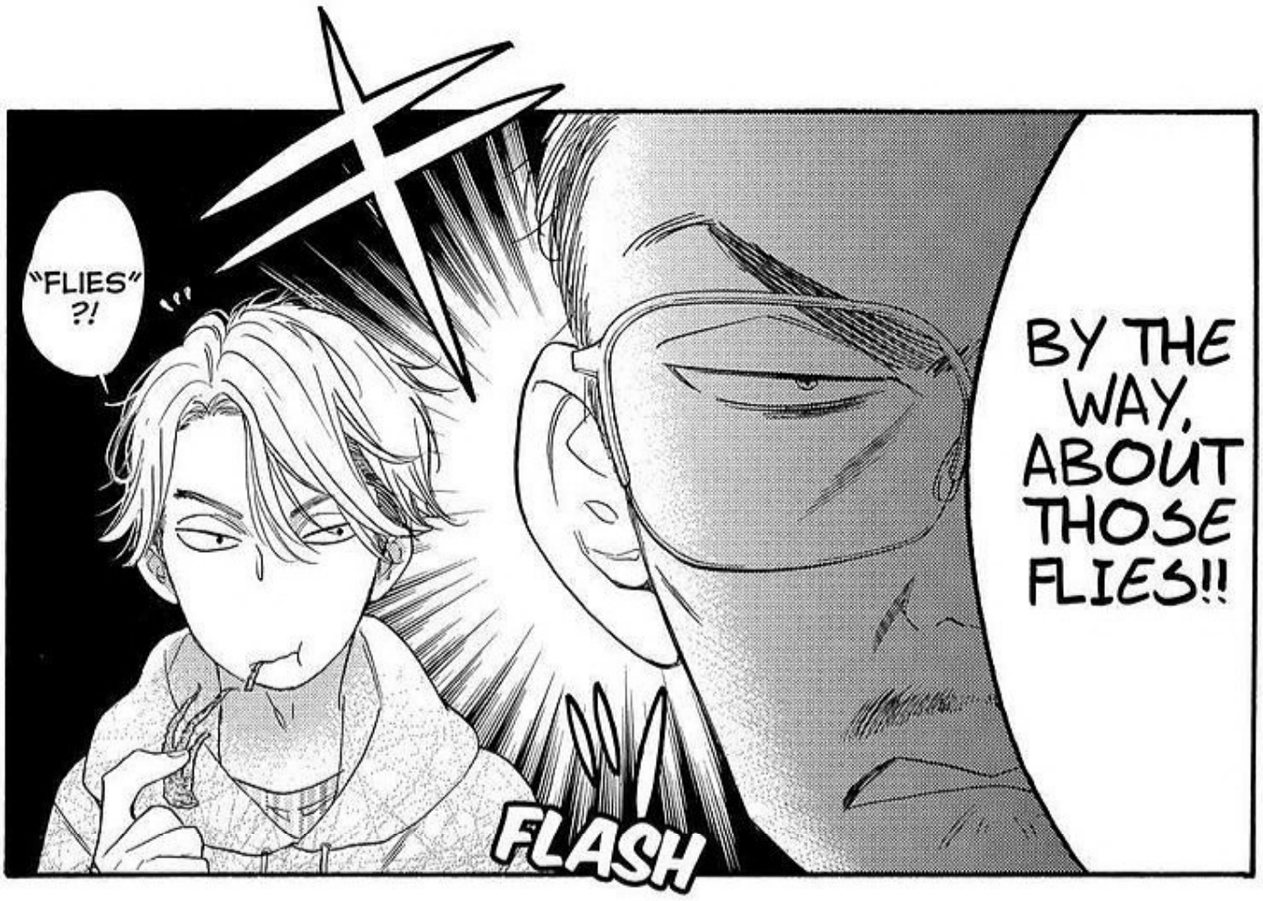
I KNOW HOW YOU MUST FEEL, BUT IT'S THE REALITY!!
...

I'M SO HAPPY!
IT'D BE SO LONELY WITHOUT YOU ON NEW YEAR'S!
ANY-WAY!!
WEL-COME HOME, DAD!


SO EASY ...
WOW! I LOVE YOU, DAD!!
AW! A SWEET GIRL LIKE YOU DESERVES SOME NEW YEAR'S MONEY!

HERE, HAVE A TANGER-INE. ♥ I PEELED IT FOR YOU. ♥
STARE
K... KAE...
PAPAN

THIS GIRL IS KAE!
MY ADOR-ABLE KAE!!
わい
CHATTER
HEY, WAIT! SHE ALREADY TOOK OUT AN ADVANCE ON HER NEW YEAR'S MONEY!
IT'S FINE! I WANT TO GIVE IT TO HER!!
WOW! THANK YOU!
わい
CHATTER
AH, I SEE.
WHAT A PROPER LIFE YOU LIVE!
YUP!
よっと
Hup!
IT'S LATE!
I SHOULD WASH UP AND GO TO SLEEP NOW!
OH!
12
3
6
9
ばたん
SHUT
CLINK
OHH! GOOD NIGHT!!
ガチャ
KER-CHAK
GOOD NIGHT!
GULP GULP


"FLIES" ?!
BY THE WAY, ABOUT THOSE FLIES!!
FLASH

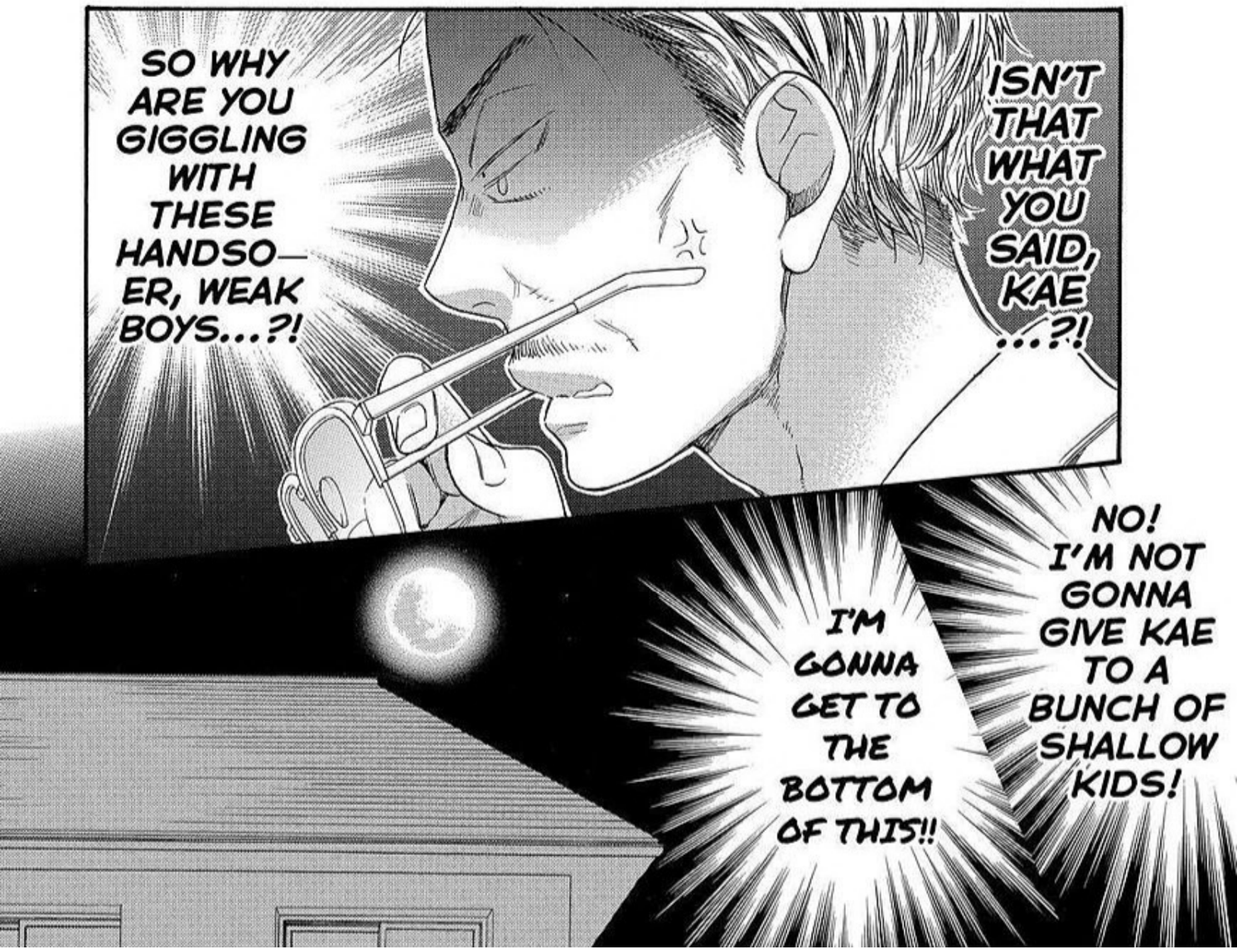
OH, OF COURSE NOT!
TH-TH-TH-TH-THEY'RE NOT HER BOY-FRIENDS, ARE THEY...?!
OHHH!
Yeah!
HUH ?
Zzz
I'M TALKING ABOUT THOSE GUYS WHO WERE FLOCKING AROUND KAE!!

FWIP

WEEELL, IF YOU MUST KNOW...
I'M BEGGING YOU!!
THEN WHO THE HECK ARE THEY ?!
TELL ME IF YOU KNOW!!

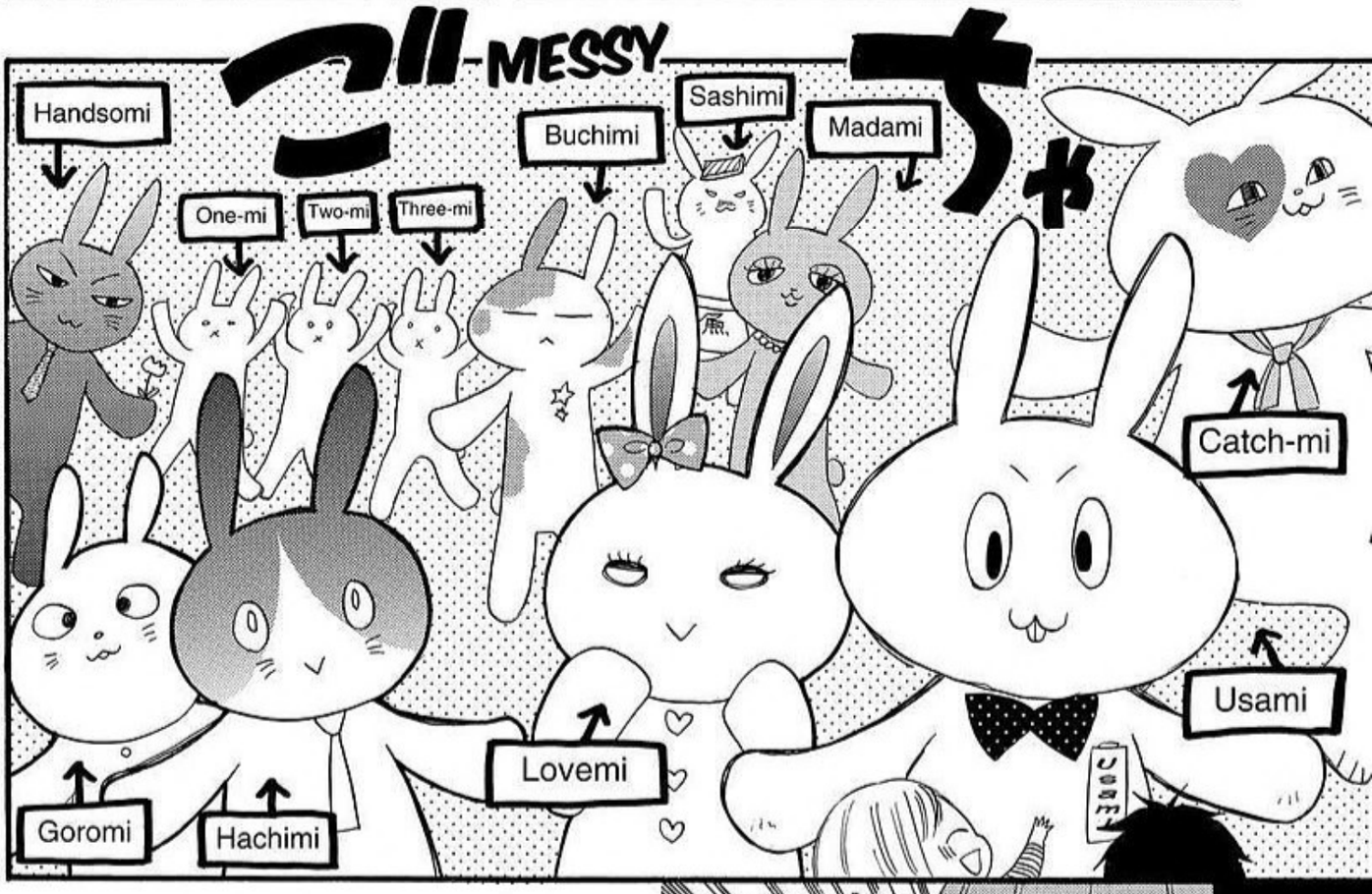
WHAAAAAAT?!!
THEY'RE WORKING PART-TIME JOBS AT USAMI LAND TOGETHER THIS WINTER BREAK.
WH... WHAT ?!
MM-HM!
FWIP
THEY'RE GUYS FROM THE SAME SCHOOL WHO ARE HITTING ON HER!!
PAPAN
LEAVE IT TO ME!!
SLAP
Token of Gratitude
WHAT THE HECK ?!!
ARE THEY DECENT GUYS?! WHAT ARE THEIR NAMES?! AGES?!
I WANT DE-TAILS !!
SNORE SNORE
Investigative Report
調査報告書
...

UH-HUH!!
HA HA HA HA...
アハハハ...
I'M GONNA MARRY YOU!!
I SEE!!
ハハハハ...
HEH HEH HEH HEH...
DAD!


SO WHY ARE YOU GIGGLING WITH THESE HANDSO—ER, WEAK BOYS...?!
ISN'T THAT WHAT YOU SAID, KAE...?!
NO! I'M NOT GONNA GIVE KAE TO A BUNCH OF SHALLOW KIDS!
I'M GONNA GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS!!

TMP
はー
PANT
はー
PANT
BOOM
WHAT'S UP WITH HIM?
ひそ
WHISPER
WHOA, THAT GUY'S LAUGHING.
HEH, HEH!
ひそ
WHISPER
SHOULD WE REPORT HIM?
Scary...
Freaky...
THIS TAKES ME BACK...
I OFTEN BROUGHT THE KIDS HERE WHEN THEY WERE LITTLE...

ちら
GLANCE
MUTSUMI... DRESSED UP IN A RABBIT COSTUME ...
RABBIT ...
Asuma Mutsumi
◆Third-year, club senpai
◆Thoughts: Definitely not a fan of this guy
◆One of the mascots in a rabbit costume
Hayato Shinomiya


こっそり MESSY ちゃ
Handsomi
One-mi
Two-mi
Three-mi
Buchimi
Sashimi
Madami
Catch-mi
Usami
Lovemi
Goromi
Hachimi

JOLT
TREMBLE TREMBLE
FWIP
STUPID TAKURO, SELLING ME THIS SHODDY LIST!

がっ SHOCK
WHICH ONE?!
JOLT
JOLT

TH... THANKS ...
SMILE
Dameni
ANYWAY, LET'S MOVE ON...
SHUFFLE
ISN'T THAT ...?
BOOM-CHA
BOOM-CHA

SO WHERE IS HE?!

AHHHH!!

YEAHHHH!

PRINCESS!!

PRINCESS USAMIMI!!

SIGH! JEEZ! MOVING ON!

PURI-PURI-MOON!!

CRUMPLE
Nozomu Nanashima
◆ Same class
◆ Thoughts: Good guy
◆ One of the actors in costume for the Puri-Moon show

STARE
WOO!
WOO!

WELCOME BACK, SIR!

LOOK, PURI-PURI-MOON!
I HAVE NO CLUE!! NEXT!!
GO AWAY, DARK PRINCE!

HE LOOKS LIKE HE WORKS HARD TOO.
KYA!
HE SEEMS QUITE REFINED ...
KYA!
KYA!
STARE
SO THAT'S NISHINA ...
MM-HM, MM-HM... HUH?! THE NISHINA GROUP ...?!
Shima Nishina
■ First-year, kohai
■ Thoughts: Part of the Nishina Group family
Same interests at Kae
Top student?
HE'S SO PERFECT I ACTU-ALLY DON'T LIKE HIM!
HUH ...?
■ Girl
HE'S A GIRL?!
I LOVE YOUUU!! ♥
SQUEAL
HOLD ME IN YOUR ARMS, SHIMA-SAMA! ♥♥
SQUEAL
WAAAHHH!!
YOU'RE CHEATING ON ME?! MAYUMI!!
I HAVE NO PROBLEMS WITH FEMALE FRIENDS!!
HA HA HA
WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME THAT SOONER ?!
TMP
TMP

OHHH!
THE MONKEYS OVER THERE ARE PARTYING! ☆
STARE
AREN'T THEY CUTE?!
BOOM
HE'S SO SMOOTH IT'S SUS-PICIOUS!!
RUSTLE
MM ...
Yusuke Igarashi
◆Same class
◆Thoughts: Creep
◆Exciting cruise
HE'S QUITE SMOOTH ...
IN FACT ...
Shima Nishina

OH, OH, SUCH CUTE REACTIONS!
ROBOTS, HUH...
SMILE
SMILE
HEH HEH HEH
WAHHH!
AHHH!
EEEK!
IT'S A GROUP OF CROCODILES!
SPLASH
OHHH?!
GLARE
JOLT
UH...
GYAAAAHHHH?!!
WHAT?! A CROCODILE'S CLIMBED UP FROM BEHIND?!!
STAB IT WITH THIS HARPOON AND CHASE IT AWAY!!
Replica
YOU, SIR, OVER THERE!

CHOMP
H...
HEEEEEK!!
What kind of ride is this?!
HURRY, OR ELSE...
IT'LL BITE YOU!!
GAH
GAH
PANIC
PANIC
HUH ?!
HUH ?!
KYAHHH!
C'mon, mister!
THWACK
THWACK
HANG IN THERE, SIR!!
OHHH! WHAT AN INCREDIBLE ATTACK!!
AHHHH!!
WAHHHH!
FLASH
SMASH
SIR, YOU DID IT!!
SLAP
LET GO !!
SHAKE
SHAKE
CHOMP
W...
WHY, YOU ...
CHOMP

CHATTER
CHATTER
CRUISE
WORN OUT
LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AGAIN ON THIS CRUISE!!
BOOM
UH, OH NO! THAT CAN'T BE!
I DROP-PED MY PRECIOUS RING!!
I'LL CALL THE OFFICE...
G... GIVE IT BACK, YOU!!
I BEG YOUR PARDON ?!
MY RING!!
GASP
MY WED-DING RING'S GONE !!
ZOOM
AH!
NEVER MIND!!
N...
GASP
HUH?
HUH?
AREN'T YOU SERI-NUMA-SAN'S ...?!
WAIT ...

I SHOULD HEAD TO THE OFFICE FOR NOW...
WOBBLE
WOBBLE
OHH... WHAT DO I DO?
WAHHH!!
HM?
...
SNIFF
SNIFF
THIS GIRL... REMINDS ME OF KAE WHEN SHE WAS YOUNG...
I...I CAN'T FIND DADDY.
WHAT'S THE MATTER, LITTLE GIRL?
IT'S ALL RIGHT!
HUH ?!
REALLY ?!
I'LL HELP YOU LOOK FOR HIM!
UH-HUH!
SQUEEZE
NOW...
LET'S GO LOOK FOR YOUR DADDY!

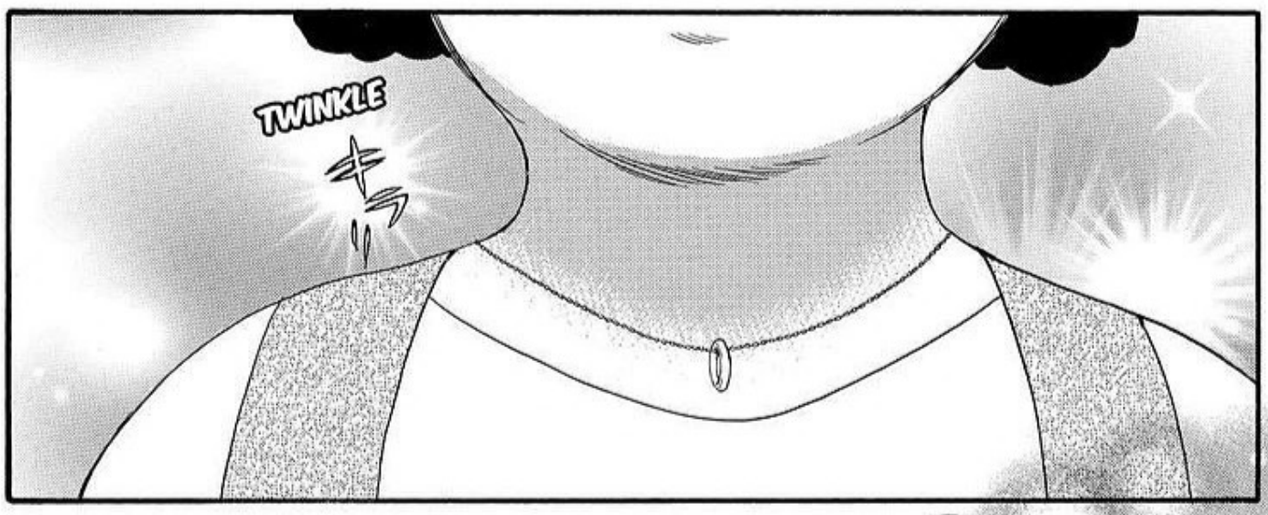
WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH MY DAUGHTER, YOU CHILD SNATCHER!!
THMP
THMP
THMP
THMP
THMP
THMP
THMP
AAAAARGHHH!
MARIE!!
ドオン
POW
HE'S NOT A BAD PERSON!!
HUHHH?!
HUH?
DADDY, YOU DUMMY!
THE MISTER WAS HELPING ME LOOK FOR YOU!!
MARIE, ARE YOU OKAY ?!
M...
MISTER!!
THUD

WHAT JUST HAPPENED ...?!

TODAY...

NISHINA-SAN, THANK YOU FOR GIVING THEM A RIDE!
PHEW! THANK GOOD-NESS!
Come on in, Come on in!
Takuro is out at a time like this...
OH, NOT AT ALL!
IT'S NOTHING...
I WAS CALLED TO THE MEDICAL OFFICE, AND DAD WAS THERE. I WAS SO SURPRISED!

FLUSTERED
FLUSTERED
OH, DEAR! SORRY FOR THE TROUB-LE!
ARE YOU OKAY, DEAR ?!


TWINKLE

OH, SINCE YOU'D MEN-TIONED IT...
THIS WAY, I CAN ALWAYS HAVE IT ON ME. ♥
MITSUKO... THE RING...!

GASP

YES? WHO IS IT?
ピポ
ピポ
DING DONG!
WHAT DO I DO...?
I LOST MY RING...
ガチャ
KA-CHAK
MR. SERI-NUMA!!

WE FOUND IT!
YOUR RING !!
WHEN WE ALL SEARCHED THE BOTTOM OF THE RIVER, WE FOUND IT RIGHT AWAY.
THANK GOOD-NESS.
SUCH NICE YOUNG MEN...!
THANK YOU...!
TH...
WHAT...?!

YOU HAVE FOUND YOURSELF SOME GOOD BOYS... KAE...!
DAD! YOU'RE GONNA CATCH A COLD!
Put this on!
RATTLE RATTLE
カラ
カラ
KAE.
WOW! THE STARS ARE SO PRETTY TONIGHT!!
KAE... YOU'VE BECOME SO PRETTY...
YOU'RE AT THE AGE WHERE YOU SHOULD BE FALLING IN LOVE...
THAT'S RIGHT...
I GUESS I WAS JUST FEELING LONELY...

BE HAPPY... KAE...!
KAE ...
HM?
IS THERE SOMEONE YOU LIKE RIGHT NOW?
HUH?

BLUSH
かあ...
...
U...
UH-HUH...
Th...
THERE IS SOME-ONE...
SPE-CIAL.

はII BOOM
AKANE-CHAN!!
SMASH
AKANE
KACHU♥LOVE
?!
?!!

OH, OKAY!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?! I'M BEING 10 000% SERIOUS!!
Y...YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE SHY ABOUT IT...
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT... I MEAN A SERIOU—
FLASH
WAWRRR
BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH
LOVE STRUCK ME THE MOMENT I LAID MY EYES ON AKANE-CHAN! THE BOLDNESS HE EXHIBITS WHEN HE FIGHTS AND RISKS HIS LIFE FOR THE PERSON HE'S MEANT TO PROTECT!! AND NOT JUST THAT, HE ONLY SHOWS HIS DEVOTION TO HIS MASTER, AND HE'S TOUGH ON EVERYONE ELSE! THAT'S THE PART THAT I FIND THE MOST CUUUUUTE!!
WAWRRR
BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH
AKANE-CHAN IS THE MAIN CHARACTER IN AN ANIME CALLED "KATCHU LOVE", AND HE'S AN ARMOR! HE'S THE ESSENTIAL PARTNER OF THE MASTER, WHO'S THE HERO OF THE STORY!! "KATCHU LOVE" IS THE HOTTEST ANIME RIGHT NOW. IT HAS THE HEART-THROB MOMENTS, THE INTENSE PERIOD DRAMA VIBES, AND THE HARD S.F. ELEMENTS! YOU CAN SAY IT'S AN ANIME SUITABLE FOR ADULT TASTES!
YOU'LL BE HOOKED WHEN YOU WATCH IT FOR SURE!!
OH! LET'S WATCH "KATCHU LOVE" TOGETHER RIGHT NOW!!

CHEEP CHEEP CHEEP
CHIRP CHIRP
FLAKE
FLAKE
HERE IT IS!
MY DEAR DAUGHTER...
EEEK!
YA SEE THAT?! YA SEE THAT?!
EEEEK!
WHAP
WHAP
THIS TRANSFORMATION SCENE IS THE BEST!
OH NO...
ISN'T THIS JUST AMAZING?!
SO NOBLE!!
WHEEEEEEE

Kiss Him, not Me
BY JUNKO
This handsome junior is the main character for this month's issue!
A new development?!!
Illustrated Book on Dinosaurs
恐竜図
#31 I CAN'T BE WITH YOU, SENPAI

*THIS STORY IS FICTIONAL, AND COMPLETELY UNRELATED TO REAL PEOPLE, "GROUPS" OR EVENTS.

Kiss Him, not Me

SEE YA LATER, THOR!
KER-CHAK
OH, WHAT ABOUT BREAK-FAST?
THOR
IT'S OKAY! I'M GONNA BE LATE!
OOF!
SLAM
HAVE A GOOD DAY, DEAR!
HAYATO SEEMS HAPPY THESE DAYS...
I GUESS HE'S...
HAVING FUN AT SCHOOL ...
IT'S GONNA BE SO HARD TO TELL HIM...

OH.
Cafeteria
OPEN WIDE!
THIS TASTES GOOD!
HERE, SERINUMA-SAN! TRY SOME!
SENPAI, FORGET THAT! THESE THICK-CUT FRIES TASTE BETTER!
OPEN UP! AAAH! ♡
HUH?
JOLT ぎくっ
AAAH! ♡

CHOMP CHOMP もぐもぐ
YEAH, IT WAS TOUGH ON HER WHEN SHE WAS ON A DIET.
SENPAI'S GONNA GAIN WEIGHT AGAIN!!
Stop feeding her!
C'MON, GUYS!!
No way!
THE SEASONING ON THESE FRIES IS JUST EXQUISITE, Y'KNOW!!
Meat all the way!
NO! THIS KARAAGE TASTES BETTER!
H...HEY, GUYS...

NANA!
HEY!! NOW I CAN'T USE THIS FORK!! GROSS!!
SLAM
NYAM! NYAM! NYAM!
FINE! I'LL EAT 'EM!
AH!
NO, WE DON'T!!
YOU'VE KISSED AT LEAST TWICE...
しれっ
SHRUG
WHAT DO YOU MEAN IT'S GROSS? HOW RUDE!
WELL, IT IS!!
ALTHOUGH I'M SURE YOU WOULDN'T KNOW SINCE YOU ALWAYS GET KISSY-KISSY WITH IGARASHI!
Ha! Ha!
GASP!
THAT'S RIGHT!
IT SURE IS!
Heh, heh!
Of course!
YOU LITTLE PUNK!
EEEEK!

DING DONG
DANG DONG
コーン
カーン
キーン
コーン
YEAH.
HE'S REALLY AGGRESSIVE...
JEEZ...
IGARASHI'S REALLY BEEN PUSHING HARD EVER SINCE HE GOT THE APPROVAL OF SERINUMA-SENPAI'S DAD.
So annoying!!

OH!!
SHINO-MIYA!

HUH? I MEAN, YOU'RE ON THE HEALTH COMMITTEE...
WHY CAN'T YOU DO IT YOURSELF?
JOLT
IT'S PAST THE DEADLINE, SO IT'S NOT MY PROBLEM.

I BROUGHT THE HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRE I FORGOT YESTERDAY.
COULD YOU GIVE IT TO THE HEALTH TEACHER?

YOU DON'T HAVE ANY FRIENDS, DO YOU?
Sure seems like you don't. Ha! Ha! Ha!
NO ONE ASKED YOU.
THAT WAS HARSH.
WHAT THE HECK...?
TCH
I DON'T NEED FRIENDS.
So based on this ...
...
...
Oops! Did I cross the line...?

WEAK-LING!
I DON'T NEED FRIENDS.
WHAT A GIRL!
GIIIRL! GIIIRL!
LET'S GO, LET'S GO!
LAME!
WHEN WE INVITE HIM TO PLAY, HE GETS TIRED RIGHT AWAY!
POOR THING! AND HE WAS SO LOOKING FORWARD TO THE SCHOOL TRIP...
ANOTHER FEVER...
DO YOU LIKE BOOKS, SHINO-MIYA-KUN?
ME TOO!
KOFF!
KOFF!

YEAHHH!
YEAHHH!

HE'S SO CUTE! ♡
GO TALK TO HIM!
AHH ...
HE'S SUCH A SHOW-OFF!
AH, NO, NO, NO! I MEAN, NO WAY!
TCH!
MAN ...

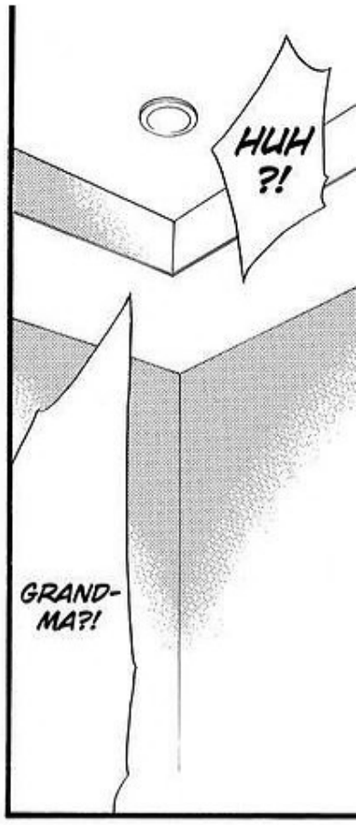
WHO DOES HE THINK HE IS?
FIRST-YEARS DON'T DYE THEIR HAIR!
SHOCK
びしっ
HUH? NO...

WHAT A PAIN.
I DON'T WANNA GO TO SCHOOL.
WHO NEEDS FRIENDS ?!!
MM ...
SHINO-MIYA-KUN!
GASP
はっ

WHAT'S THE MATTER?
You're so spaced out.
ひそ…
WHISPER
THE MEETING'S STILL GOING ON!
UM, NEXT IS THE UPCOMING MONTHLY POSTER ON ZERO CAVITIES.
UH, RIGHT!
SORRY, IT'S NOTHING.
AND …
BUT NOW…
I CAN SEE SERI-NUMA-SENPAI WHEN I COME TO SCHOOL.

EVERY DAY...
IS FUN ...
FOR ME NOW...
SLAM
I'M HOME.
WELCOME HOME, HAYATO.
KER-CHAK!
COME SIT. WE HAVE SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT.
UH, SURE.

THAT'S RIGHT. SHE'S IN THE HOS-PITAL...
O...OH...
Is she gonna be okay?!
I understand.
SO YOUR MOTHER HAS TO GO BACK TO THE COUNTRY-SIDE.
AND...

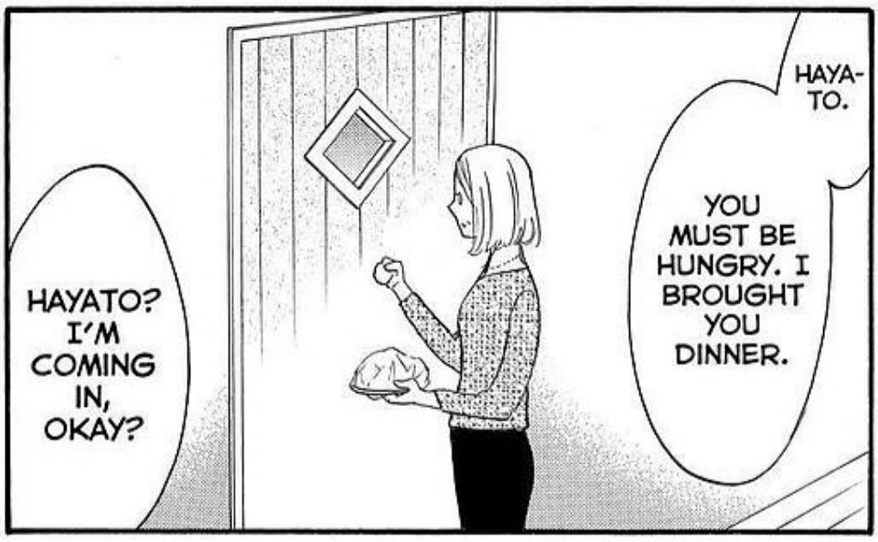

HUH ?!
GRAND-MA?!

WE MAY END UP HAVING TO LIVE THERE.
SINCE YOUR GRAND-MOTHER HAS BECOME FRAIL...

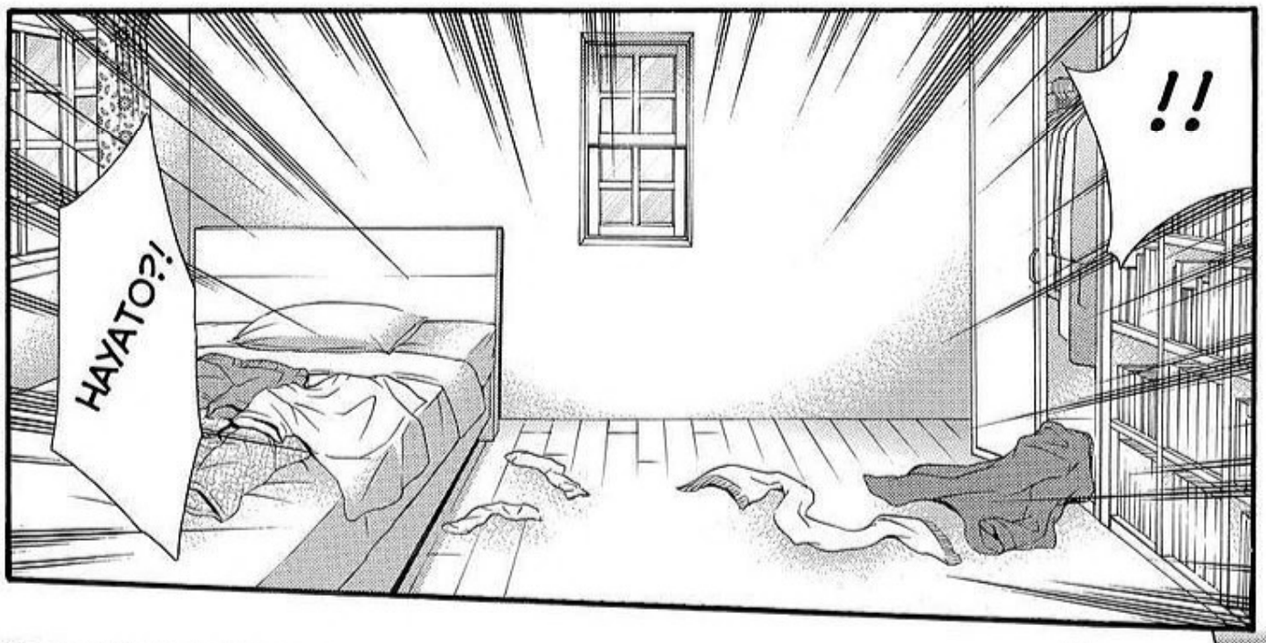
H-H-H-HOLD ON! I DON'T WANNA LEAVE HERE!
HUH ?!
WHAT ?!
KA-THUD
WE DON'T HAVE A CHOICE!
WHICH MEANS YOU TOO...

HUH?!

B-BUT ...
WE CAN'T JUST LEAVE YOU HERE, CAN WE?
DON'T BE SO SELFISH WHEN YOU'RE UNDER OUR ROOF!
ANYWAY, BE READY TO MOVE! IS THAT CLEAR?
N...
CLATTER
NO!!
Ah!
HAYATO!!
HONEY ...
LEAVE HIM BE.
STOMP
STOMP
HAYATO!!
STOMP


HAYATO? I'M COMING IN, OKAY?
HAYA-TO.
YOU MUST BE HUNGRY. I BROUGHT YOU DINNER.

KNOCK KNOCK


HAYATO?!
!!

HONEY! HAYATO'S ...!

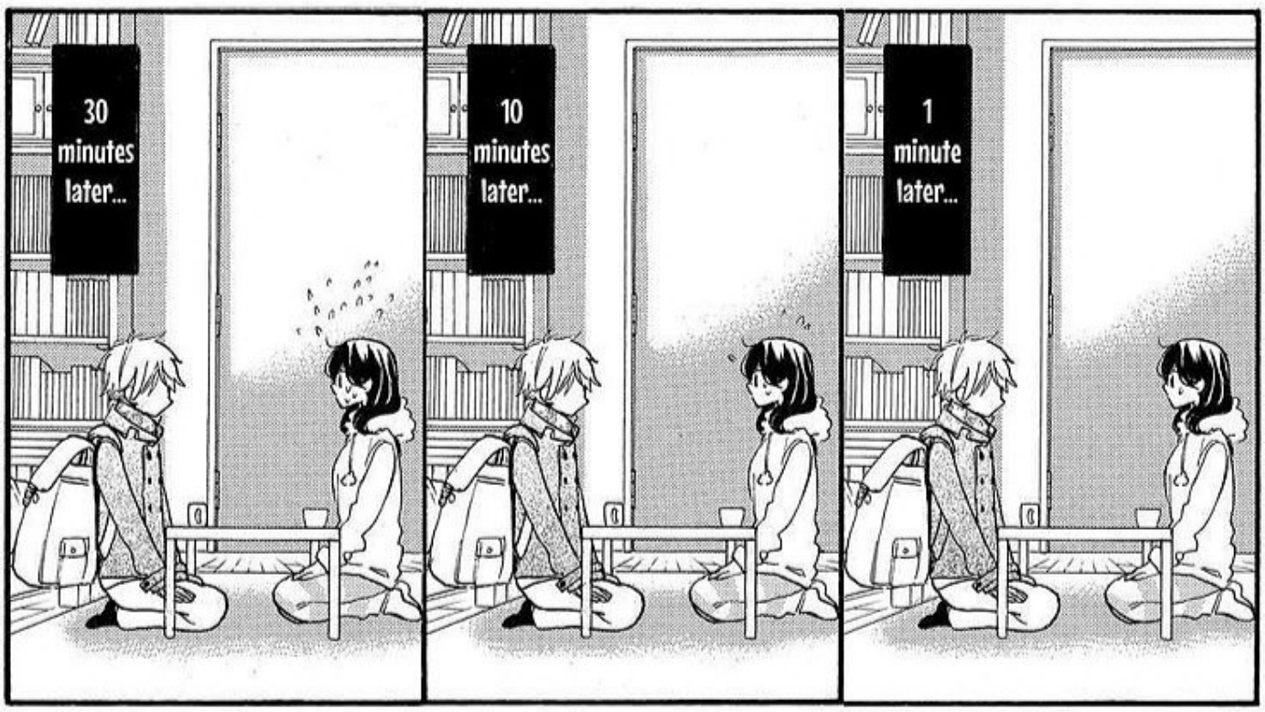
THOR'S GONE TOO!
!
KER-CHAK

NO...
THMP

DING DONG
COMING!
ガチャ
KER-CHAK
Uh...
HUH ?!
S...SORRY FOR COMING UNANNOUNCED...
At this hour...
FREEZING
FREEZING
THIS WAS THE ONLY PLACE I COULD GO...
SHINO-MIYA-KUN?!
COME IN!!
WH-WHAT HAP-PENED ?!
OH MY GOD, YOU'RE SHAK-ING!!

HERE.
WARM UP WITH SOME HOT CHOCO-LATE.
コト..
CLINK

WHAT'S WRONG?
DID SOME-THING HAPPEN ...?


30 minutes later...
10 minutes later...
1 minute later...

H...HE ISN'T SAYING ...
WHAT SHOULD I DO...?
はっ
GASP
I...
HM?!

I...
DON'T WANNA LEAVE YOU...!
GRAB
HUG
I WANNA BE WITH YOU...!!
Uh...
SH...
SHINO-MIYA-KUN...?!

BOOM
GOTCHA!!
DON'T UNDER-ESTIMATE MY FRIEND-SHIP WITH TAKURO-SAN!
TA-KURO-SAN TOLD ME!
It's not a friendship.
Bribe
Meat manju
HUH?! WHA?! WHY ARE YOU GUYS HERE?!
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?!
SHUT UP!
HUH ?!
I MAY END UP MOVING !!
I... I...
N-NO! YOU HAVE IT ALL WRONG!
WAHHH!
WE CAUGHT YOU! YOU GOT GUTS THOUGH, SHINO! HONESTLY, I HAD STOPPED TAKING YOU SERIOUSLY!

は?
HUH?

Later

Huh?!
NORWAY?!
YOUR MOM'S SIDE OF THE FAMILY IS NORWEGIAN?!
SERIOUSLY?!

MY GRANDMOTHER HAS BEEN HOSPITALIZED, SO MY PARENTS SAY THEY HAVE TO GO BACK...
AND I HAVE TO GO WITH THEM...
I...I SEE. THAT'S WHY YOU'RE SO FAIR-SKINNED.
SO IT'S 'CAUSE OF YOUR COMPLEXION THAT YOUR NIPPLES ARE PINK TOO.
ARE YOU LISTENING?!
AND STOP WITH THE SEXUAL COMMENTS!

SO YOU RAN AWAY FROM HOME 'CAUSE YOU DIDN'T WANT THAT?
ER...
EVEN IF YOU STAY, CAN YOU REALLY SURVIVE ON YOUR OWN?
IF SOMETHING HAPPENS, YOUR PARENTS WILL BE OVERSEAS, Y'KNOW? THEY CAN'T COME BACK RIGHT AWAY.
THAT'S RIGHT.
CAN YOU DO THE HOUSEWORK?
COOK?
DO THE LAUNDRY?
CLEAN?
AND EVERYTHING ELSE?
NNNNGH!
YOU CAN'T...
ムリじゃん...
I...I CAN! I'LL LEARN HOW TO!!
FLUSTERED
GRIP
YOU'LL "LEARN HOW TO" ...
You say that now, but...
I...

I WANT TO BE ...
WITH SERINUMA-SENPAI AND EVERYONE ELSE.
I MEAN, IT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE ENJOYED EVERY DAY LIKE THIS...!!
Uh...
Huh...
Oh...
IF THAT'S THE CASE, YOU HAVE TO TALK IT OUT WITH YOUR PARENTS...
RIGHT?
SHINO-MIYA-KUN...
SLINK
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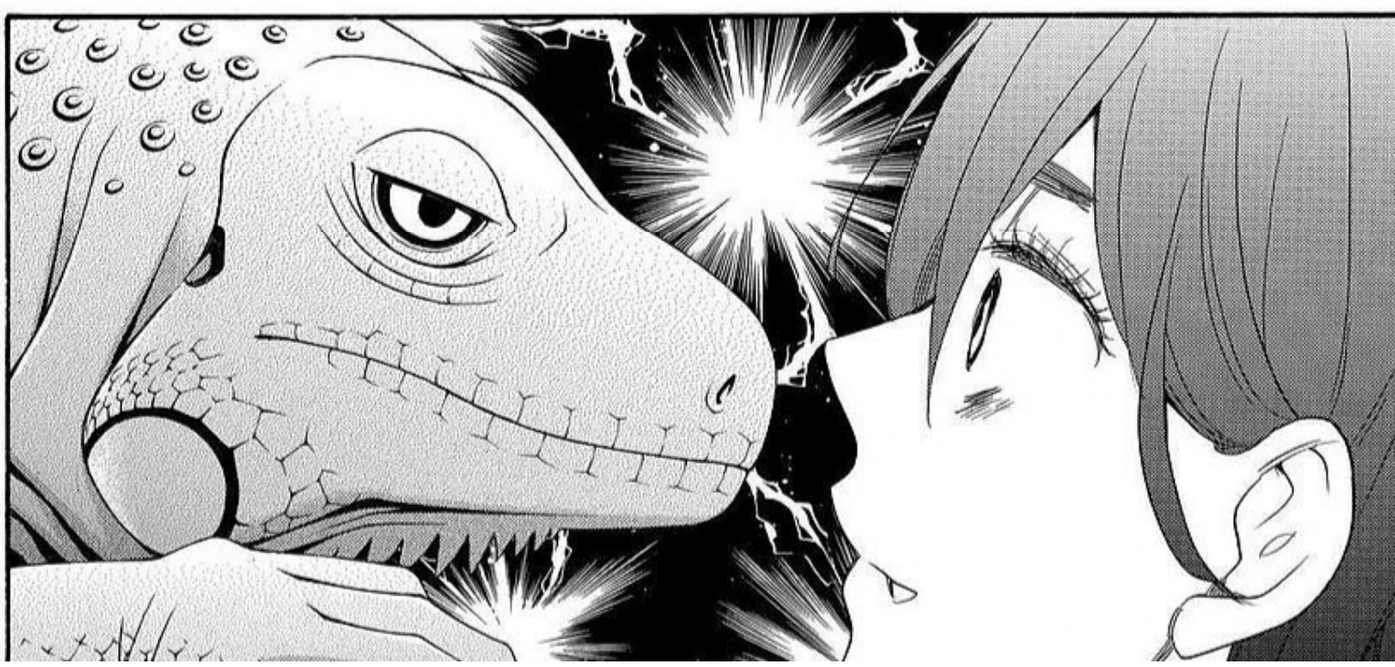
もぞっ
BE-SIDES ...

STARE
THOR PROBABLY WON'T BE ABLE TO HANDLE THE COLD OVER THERE...



AHHHHH!!
WH-WHAT IS THAT?! WHAT IS THAT?!
Down you go!
OH, YOU CAME OUT, THOR!
SORRY! IT MUST'VE BEEN CRAMPED IN THERE!
EEEEK!!
OH! LET ME INTRODUCE YOU TO MY PET!
THIS IS MY GREEN IGUANA, THOR!
SHE'S SIX YEARS OLD!
TWITCH
TWITCH
AN IGUANA?!
GYA!
IT'S HUGE!
GYA!
HEY, KAE...
THAT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN ONE!
TREMBLE TREMBLE
...
You have an unexpectedly wild pet, huh?!

AH...
AH!
AH!
AH!
AAAAHHHHHH!!
?!

LEAVE!
JUST LEAVE !!
Uh.
EEK!!
I'M SCARED!! I'M SCARED!!
DASH
EYAAAHHHH!!
"A-A-A-A..."
TMP TMP TMP TMP
HUH ...?!
?!

UH... WHAT?
IS SHE GONNA BE ALL RIGHT?
IT'S NORMAL TO BE SURPRISED, BUT THAT WAS A LITTLE UNUSUAL.
CHATTER...
YEAH.
SHE REALLY CAN'T STAND THEM, HUH...
ALLOW ME, HER BROTHER TAKURO, TO EXPLAIN!
TAKURO!
YOU'RE STILL HERE?
YES, I AM!
WARM
WARM
ドン
BOOM

HEH! HEH! HEH! YOU'RE SO CUTE, SERGEANT! ♡
RUSTLE
HOWEVER, ONE DAY...

IN THE PAST ...
KAE, WHO LIKED A CERTAIN FROG ANIME, WAS FOND OF A FROG WHO LIVED IN THE PLANTER POND IN OUR YARD AND NAMED HIM SERGEANT...

RUSTLE
CHOMP
Quince Monitor
EYAAAHHHHHH!!! SERGEANT!!
OHHH...
Ugh...
Yum.
SINCE THEN, SHE CAN'T STAND ANY REPTILES.
Incidentally, that monitor lizard was a neighborhood pet that had escaped.
NO WAY ...

SHUT
YEAH, THAT'D BE BEST.
ANYWAY, LET'S GET YOU AND THOR HOME.
I'LL TAKE YOU IN MY CAR.
SCREAK
STOMP
HAYATO!!
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
HAYATO?!
SHUT
Uhh...
GOOD EVENING.

UH, YES! WE GET ALONG!
"FRIEND" ...?
ARE YOU... HAYATO'S FRIEND?
THANKS FOR YOUR HELP... TRULY...
LIP SERVICE!

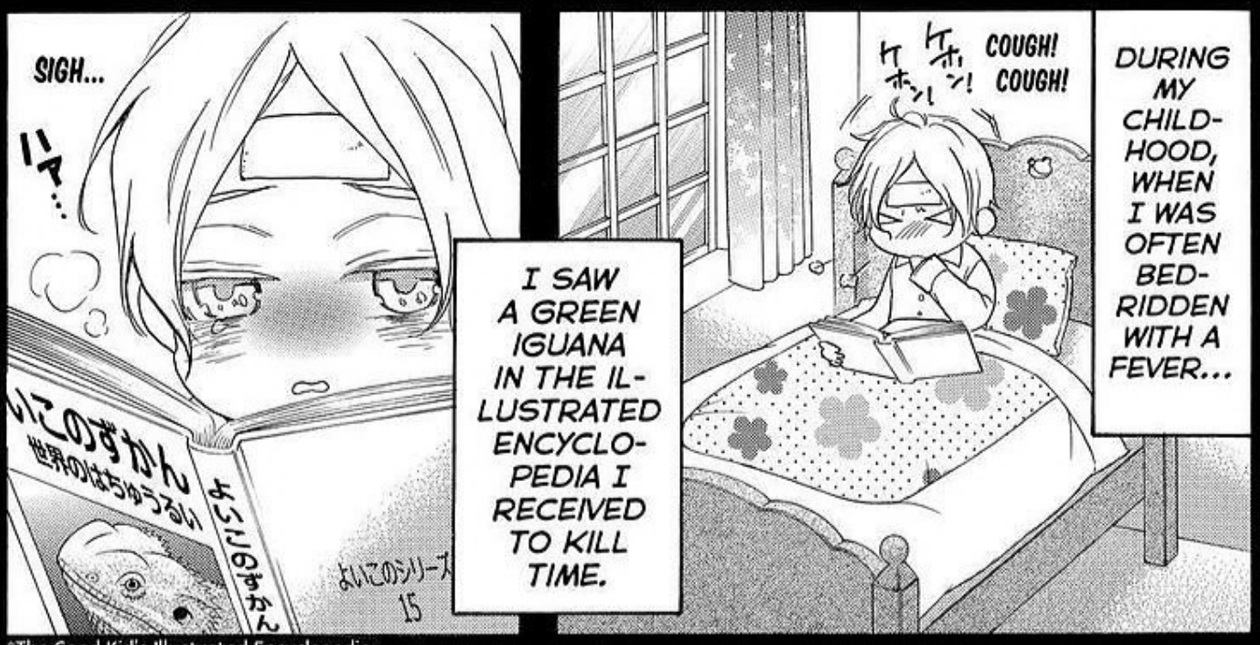
NO, NOT AT ALL!
HAYATO-KUN LOOKS A LITTLE TIRED, SO...
BOW BOW
FLUSTERED FLUSTERED
I-I'M SORRY THAT YOU HAD TO GO OUT OF YOUR WAY TO BRING HIM HERE.
Thank you!!

YEAH! OF COURSE!
LIP SERVICE!
HUH?
UMMM...
DOES HAYATO... HAVE OTHER FRIENDS AS WELL?

OH...
SO THAT'S WHY HE DOESN'T WANT TO MOVE.
WHEN HAYATO WAS LITTLE, HE WAS VERY WEAK...
HE ALWAYS LOOKED A LITTLE DIFFERENT FROM EVERYONE ELSE, BUT HAD A HARD TIME EXPRESSING HIMSELF, SO HE HAD TROUBLE MAKING FRIENDS...
THE ONLY ONE WHO ACCEPTED HIM WAS HIS PET... THOR.

I'M GLAD ...
THANK YOU.
BUT I SEE THAT... HE'S MADE A LOT OF FRIENDS LIKE YOU.
TAKEN THAT REJEC-TION PRETTY HARSHLY ...
SO HE MIGHT HAVE...
HUH ...
...
STARE
...

CRAWL
THANKS, GIRL.
Aww.
HEH, HEH!
ARE YOU TRYING TO CHEER ME UP, THOR?
I FIRST MET THOR SIX YEARS AGO...



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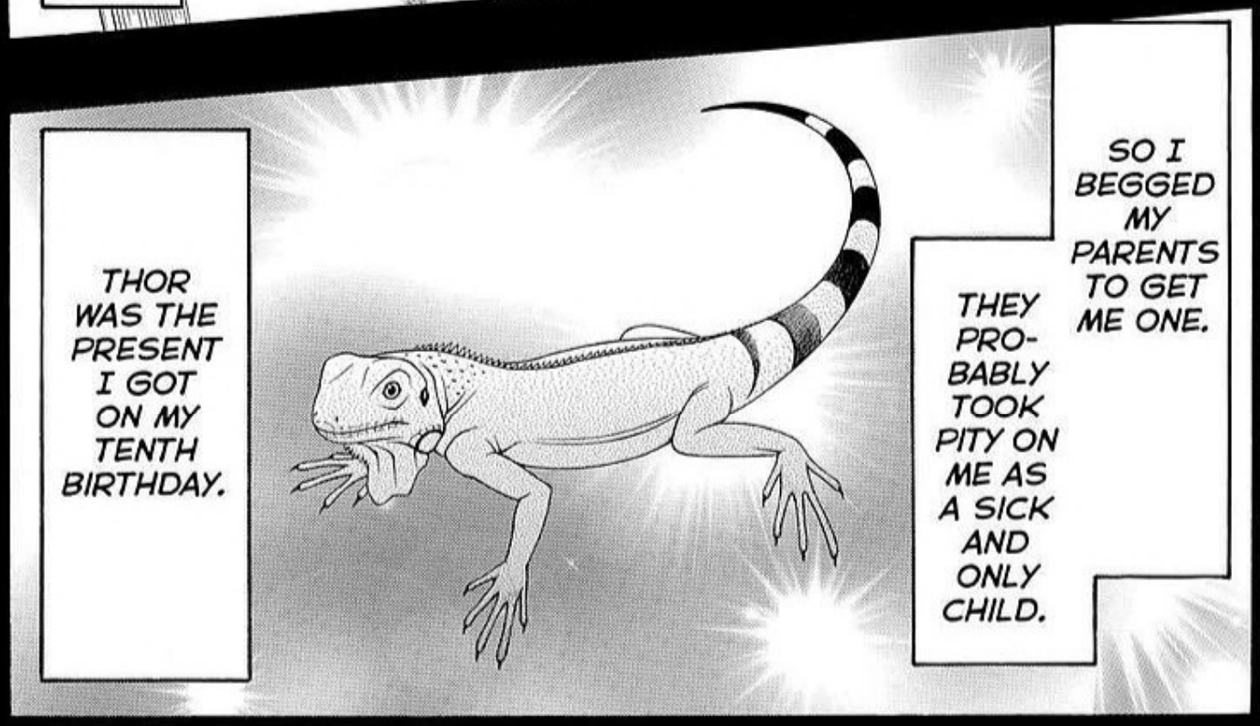

FROM THEN ON...
GROW AND BE STRONG !!
THOR !!
YOUR NAME'S GONNA BE THOR!!
THOR!!
THE HAPPY TIMES AND THE SAD TIMES...
THE BAD TIMES...
THROUGH THE GOOD TIMES...
BY MY SIDE ...
THOR WAS ALWAYS ...
AND MY FAMILY.
MY FRIEND ...
FROM THEN 'TIL NOW...
THOR HAS AL-WAYS BEEN ...

CLENCH
THEN I CAN'T BE WITH HER...
IF SERINUMA-SENPAI CAN'T ACCEPT THOR...

CHATTER
CHATTER
Gasp!
SENPAI.

I'M SORRY ABOUT LAST NIGHT.
OH, NOT AT ALL!
I'M SORRY THAT I FREAKED OUT!!
SINCE THEN ...
I DID SOME THINKING, AND I'VE MADE UP MY MIND.

I'VE DECIDED TO GO WITH MY PARENTS.
HUH ...?

I'M SAYING...
I'M MOVING ON, SENPAI.
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Kiss Him, not Me
BY JUNKO
When Kae rejects Shinomiya's dear friend, Thor...
he tells her that he's gonna move on and move away?!!
#32 HAYATO SHINOMIYA'S DECISION

*THIS STORY IS FICTIONAL, AND COMPLETELY UNRELATED TO REAL PEOPLE, "GROUPS" OR EVENTS.

HUH?
I THINK THIS IS GOOD-BYE FOR EVERY-ONE ELSE TOO, SO...
TAKE CARE.
FWIP

WHAT GIVES ?
YOU'RE OKAY WITH ENDING THINGS SO EASILY?

WELL, THEN ...
HEY!

OKAY OR NOT...
WE WEREN'T EVEN FRIENDS TO BEGIN WITH...
RIGHT ?
AH.
ANNOYED

YANK!!
AND BE-SIDES !!
WHY WOULD YOU SAY THAT?!

I CAN'T BE WITH SOMEONE WHO REJECTS THOR!!
MURMUR
HUH?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT?
WHAT?
CUT IT OUT, NANA!
SCARY...
SHWIP
FARE-WELL.
FWISH

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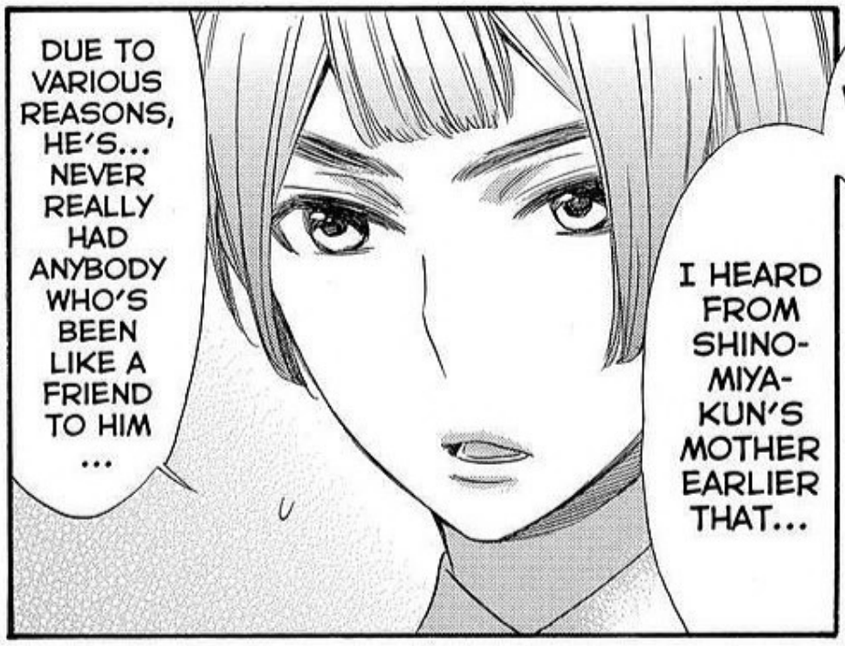

DUE TO VARIOUS REASONS, HE'S... NEVER REALLY HAD ANYBODY WHO'S BEEN LIKE A FRIEND TO HIM ...
I HEARD FROM SHINO-MIYA-KUN'S MOTHER EARLIER THAT...

...
WELL ...
JEEZ !!
WHAT THE HELL'S HIS PROBLEM?!

SO...WELL... IT SEEMS THAT IGUANA'S THE ONLY ONE WHO'S BEEN THERE FOR HIM...
HUHHHH?

WE...ARE APPARENTLY THE FIRST PEOPLE HE'S BEEN ABLE TO CALL FRIENDS...
HUH?

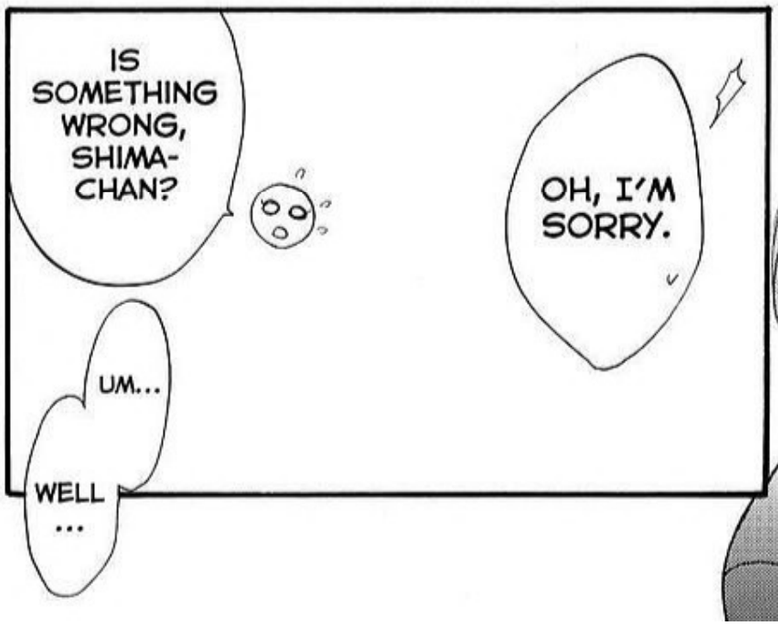
SO I THINK HE VALUES THAT IGUANA A LOT.
NOD NOD
I...I KINDA FEEL SAD NOW...
No way...
TURN
SO WHAT?
SERI-NUMA-SAN, YOU DON'T LOOK WELL. WHAT'S WRONG?
WHAT...
HAVE I DONE...?
I ALWAYS THOUGHT OF MYSELF AS SOMEONE WHO UNDER-STANDS THE PAIN OF HAVING SOMETHING YOU LOVE REJECTED!!
A SHAME REVISITED
WHAT IS THIS SHITAJIKI? NASTY! WHAT A SICK BOOK! DON'T READ THIS CRAP! SICK! SICK!
SHUT UP!!

...
IF IT BOTHERS YOU, IT BOTHERS YOU.
YEAH, WE WERE ALL SURPRISED.
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT! IT'S NORMAL TO BE FREAKED OUT BY A HUGE LIZARD LIKE THAT!!
A
...
ひょいっ
PEEK
CHATTER
CHATTER
SINCE THAT DAY...

SHINO-MIYA-KUN STARTED TO MISS CLASSES ...
AND STOPPED SHOWING UP AT THE CAFETERIA TOO.
WHEN OUR PATHS DID CROSS ...
FWIP
HE DIDN'T EVEN MAKE EYE CONTACT.
SEN-SEI ...
I'VE GATH-ERED ALL THE HAND-OUTS.
職員室
Staff Room
AH, THANK YOU, NISHINA-SAN.
I SEE... NEXT WEEK, HUH?
IT'S SUDDEN, BUT I GUESS IT CAN'T BE HELPED.
YES.

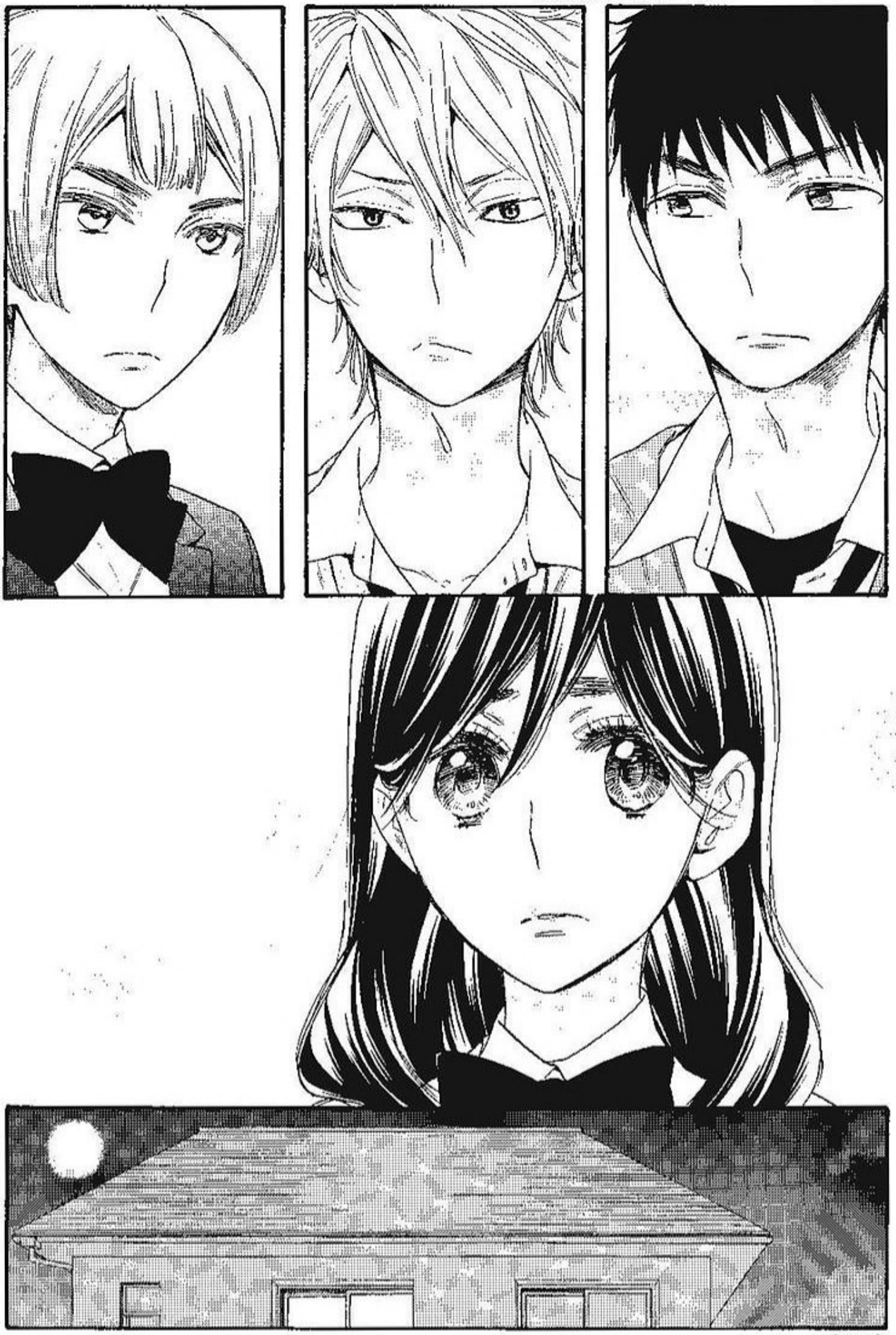
THANK YOU FOR EVERY-THING.
BOW
ペコッ

IT WAS FUNNY, WASN'T IT?! IT WAS SO DUMB!!
OH, YEAH! I SAW THAT ONE!
Soba / Udon
そば・うどん
CHATTER
CHATTER
CHATTER
AND THAT MOVIE ...

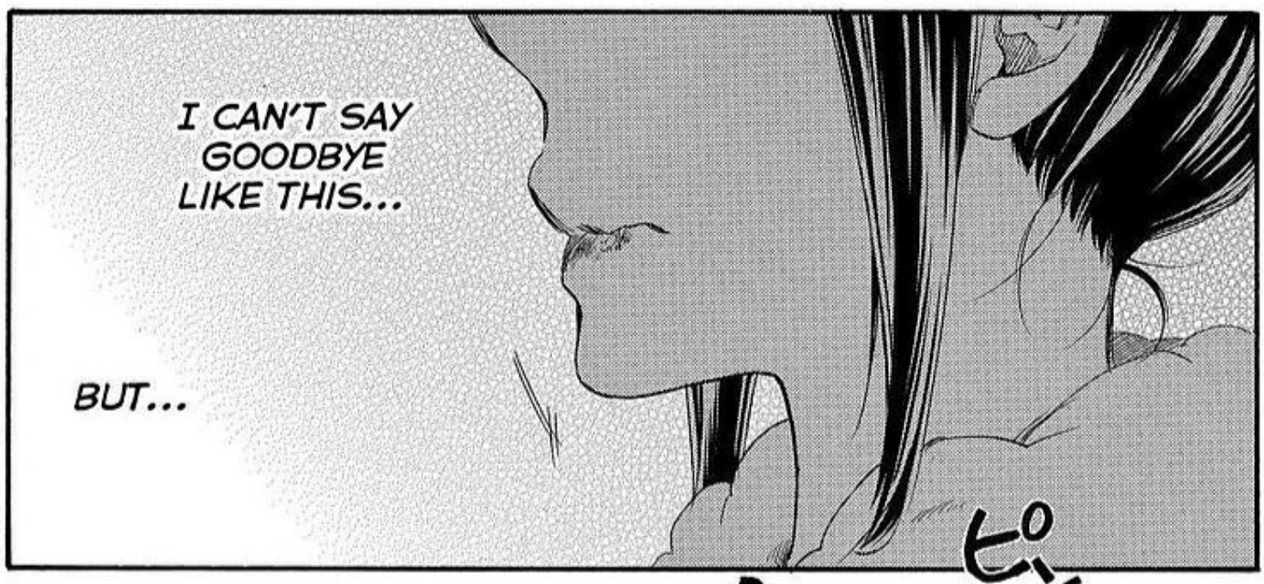

IS SOMETHING WRONG, SHIMA-CHAN?
OH, I'M SORRY.
UM...
WELL ...

...
YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT MOVIE, NISHINA ?!
BLANK
HEY!
Ignoring me, huh?

I OVER-HEARD IN THE STAFF-ROOM EARLIER ...
THAT SHINO-MIYA-KUN WILL BE LEAVING NEXT WEEK.
!
TAK
I WON-DER...
OH... I SEE.
WHO CARES ?!
IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE WHETHER HE'S HERE OR NOT!!
Soba / Udon
そば・うどん
YOU REALLY THINK SO?
FOR ME...
IT'LL BE LONELY WITHOUT SHINOMIYA-KUN.



OH DEAR ...
FIVE DAYS LEFT ...


I CAN'T SAY GOODBYE LIKE THIS...
BUT...

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DING DONG...
BAM
KAE! YOU HAVE A GUEST !!
HUH ?!
C'MON! IT'S URGENT !!

SEN-PAI?!
SORRY FOR DROPPING IN UNAN-NOUNCED.
OH!
And your brother seems scared...
OH, IT WON'T TAKE LONG...
UH, IT'S ABOUT SHINO-MIYA-KUN...
TREMBLE
WHAT IS IT?!
AH! PLEASE COME IN!!
!
SERI-NUMA-SAN...
YOU DON'T WANT THINGS TO END LIKE THIS, DO YOU?

NO...
I...
I WANNA APOLOGIZE TO SHINOMIYA-KUN...
AND I WANNA PROPERLY SAY GOODBYE...!
B...BUT I'M SCARED...
I THOUGHT YOU'D SAY THAT, SERINUMA-SAN.
SMILE
MM.
SEN-PAI...
WHAT'S THIS ...?
HUH?
HERE.
TAKE THIS.
BOOKS
INOKUNIYA

OKAY.
TAKE THE BOOKS IN YOUR CLOSET AND SEPARATE THE ONES YOU NEED FROM THE ONES YOU DON'T, OKAY?
THIS PILE IS NEXT ...
HMM.
SAURS & PRINCESS
WHOA! THIS TAKES ME BACK!!
THIS PIC-TURE BOOK !!
OH!!

?!
IT SURE IS PRETTY!
This book...
THIS IS THE SERIES WHERE THE PRINCESS TAKES THE DINOSAUR ON AN ADVENTURE...
I LIKED IT 'CAUSE THE PICTURES WERE PRETTY, THE STORY WAS INTERESTING, AND THE PRINCESS WAS COOL.
LOOK LIKE SERINUMA-SENPAI...?!
D...DOES SHE...
COULD I HAVE FALLEN FOR SENPAI BECAUSE OF THIS...?!
I...I'M SO EM-BARRAS-SED!!
カアー
BLUSH
GASP
HUH?!
N...
NO WAY!
SHE REALLY DOES!

OH, RIGHT! SINCE SHE'S THE HEAD OF THE GROUP...
SENPAI IS DIFFER-ENT, ALL RIGHT.
FLIP
FLIP
SHE'S KIND.
Ha! Ha!
BUT THEY REALLY DO LOOK SIMILAR ...!
OH, BUT SENPAI ISN'T SO ROUGH.
FLIP
WHOA! SHE'S REALLY BEATING UP THE DINOSAUR!! HOW AWFUL!!
GRIP
OH, BUT SHE SURE GOT CRAZY WHEN SHE HAD THAT PAIRING WAR WITH SHIMA...
HA! HA! HA...
SHE'S NOT SO STUB-BORN...
AND ALWAYS GIVES HER EVERY-THING...
HONEST ....
SHE'S BRIGHT ...

SENPAI...!
DING-DONG!
HAYATO!!
はっ
GASP!
YES!

TA-DAH!
HAVE A SAFE TRIP, SHINOMIYA-KUN! ♡
HMPH!
I DON'T NEED THIS CHILDISH STUFF!
BESIDES, I'M BUSY GETTING READY TO MOVE...!!
YOU'RE JUST GETTING IN MY WAY!!
WELL, WE FELT BAD, SO WE THOUGHT WE'D HOLD A FAREWELL PARTY...
YEAH! YEAH!
HUH?!
WH... WHAT ARE YOU GUYS DOING HERE?!

LOOK, YOU LITTLE BRAT!!!
GRAB
WHAT THE HECK, MAN ...?

THERE IT IS! I FIGURED YOU'D SAY THAT!!
PEH
SO PREDICTABLE!

YOU SAY WE'RE NOT YOUR FRIENDS, BUT...
IT'S NOT LIKE WE WERE TRYING TO BE FRIENDS WITH YOU EITHER!
BUT...
BEING WITH SERINUMA, WE ALL ENDED UP DOING A BUNCH OF STUPID STUFF TOGETHER.

WHETHER YOU LIKE IT OR NOT...
YOU'RE ONE OF US!!

DON'T THINK YOU CAN CUT US OFF SO EASILY!!
IDIOT!!

DING-DONG
ピンポーン
カチャ
KER-CHAK
OH!
Good evening!
SORRY FOR BEING LATE!
SERI-NUMA-SENPAI ?!
H... HELLO...
SHINO-MIYA-KUN!
A napa cabbage ?!
U... UH...
I'M SORRY ABOUT THE OTHER DAY.
HUH?
SO...
It said that adult iguanas can only eat fresh fruits and vegetables...
I RE-JECTED YOUR PREC-IOUS THOR...
WHICH IS WHY I STUDIED UP ON IGUANAS WITH THE ILLUSTRATED ENCYCLOPEDIA THAT MUTSUMI GAVE ME!!
which is why I brought this napa cabbage and these bananas as a gift!!
WOULD YOU LET ME MEET THOR ONE MORE TIME...?!

...
OKAY ...!
ガチャ
KER-CHAK
?!
THOR ?!
THE WIN-DOW'S OPEN!!
Why?!
HE WENT OUT THROUGH HERE!!
WHOOSH...
THOR'S GONE!!

OH NO...
IF HE'S OUTSIDE ON A COLD DAY LIKE THIS...!!
THIS IS TERRIBLE!! IGUANAS CAN'T WITHSTAND THE COLD!!
You know a lot...
HUH ?
THAT'S NOT GOOD!
LET'S SPLIT UP AND LOOK FOR HER!!
IF YOU FIND HER, LET EVERY-ONE ELSE KNOW!!

I don't know...

GASP
はっと
"IGUANAS LIKE CLIMBING TREES, SO THEY PREFER THE SHORE..."
THOR!!
COME OUT!!
THOR!!
THOR!!
BOOM
STARE
COME HERE, THOR!!
SHUFFLE
SHUFFLE
LET'S GO HOME!
TAK
Group
Found her!! She's at the park!!
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ビクッ
JOLT
THOR!!
I'M NOT SCARED ...!
I'M NOT SCARED ...
IT'S OKAY ...
OKAY, COME ...!

BOOM
HUHHHH?!
Why?!

TURN
HUH?
That's a good girl!

SPLASH
THOR!!

Gasp!
IT'S SO COLD SHE CAN'T SWIM!!
GLUG
GLUG
GLUG
GLUG

PAUSE
No...
SHE'S DROWNING...?!
HUH...?
SHE'S STOPPED!!

Heek!
HOLD ON, THOR!!
SPLISH
SPLISH

...!!
CLENCH
KER-SPLASH
SEN-PAAAI!!
SERI-NUMA!!
WHERE ARE YOU?!

HEYYY!
EVERY-ONE!!
GASP
PANT
PANT
I FOUND HER!!
TWITCH
TWITCH
THOR!!
SENPAI!!

SENPAI ...
You're soaked...!!
YOU JUMPED INTO THE WATER?!
HERE !!
SHE'S FREEZING BECAUSE SHE FELL IN THE WATER, SO QUICKLY WARM HER UP!

SENPAI... SHE'S TREMB-LING...!!
SHIVER
SHIVER
SHIVER
THANK GOOD-NESS SHE'S SAFE!!
SHE'S A DEAR FRIEND, RIGHT?
Sniff...

I LOVE THIS GIRL...
SURE ENOUGH ...

SURE ENOUGH...
I WANNA BE WITH EVERYONE.

SORRY, MOM AND DAD...
BUT I'M NOT GONNA GO WITH YOU GUYS.
WE FIGURED.
OKAY, HAYATO. WE'LL BE BACK.
YEAH, TAKE CARE.
DON'T FORGET TO EAT PROPER MEALS!
AND MAKE SURE THE DOORS ARE LOCKED!

EVERY-ONE...
PLEASE TAKE GOOD CARE OF HAYATO...
BOW
ペコ
Uh!
MOM!
OH, NANA!
WE'LL WHIP INTO SHAPE REAL GOOD!!
LEAVE HIM TO US!
VROOM
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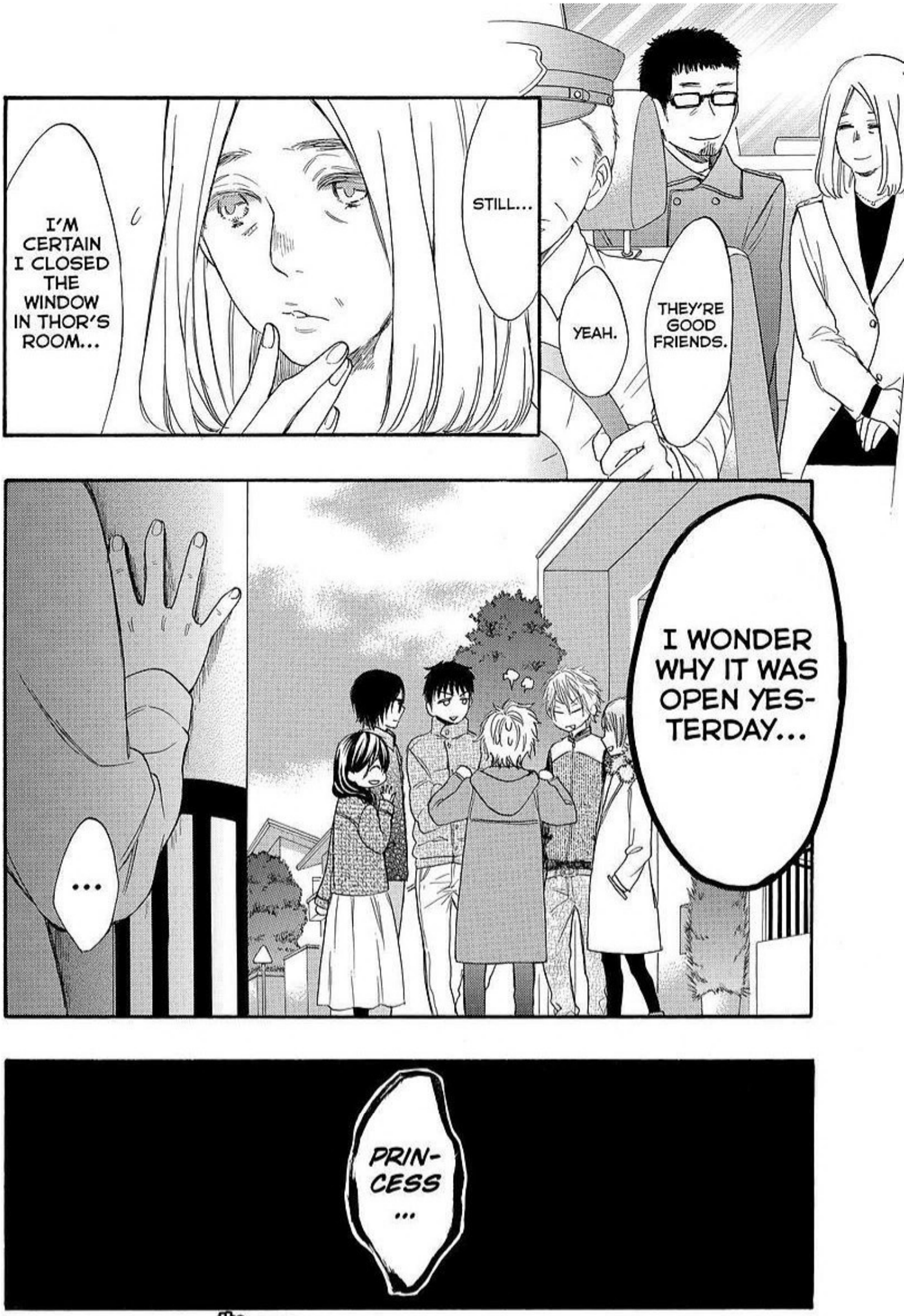
A SAFE TRIP!
HAVE...



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Who is the mysterious figure...?!!
And don't miss out on the news in the next issue! ☆